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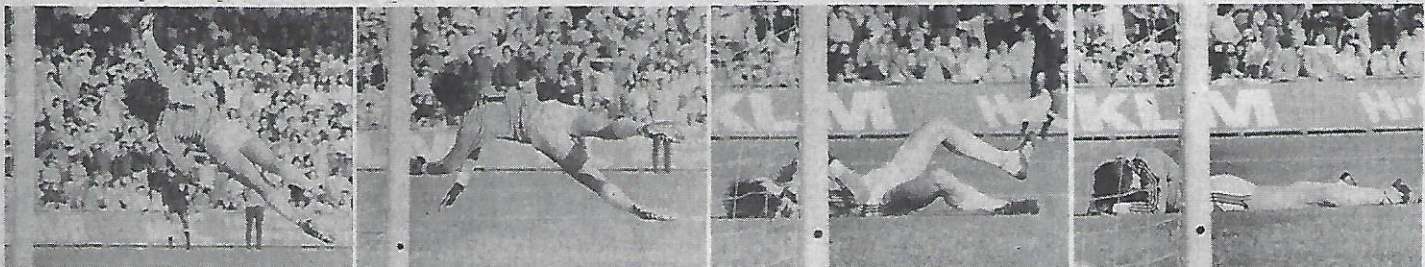
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THE MISS THAT PUT URUGUAY OUT OF THE TITLES



Photographer LES SHORROCK captures the beginning of the end for Uruguay in its quarter-final against Rumania, in this sequence of shots. Rumania's Romulus Gabor took a free kick from near the corner flag, and we see goalkeeper Carlos Arias fly for it, miss and roll over in utter despair.

World final, Sunday

Details of all matches so far in the World Youth Championships:

GROUP A
QATAR 1 (Badir Bealeh)
POLAND 0, URUGUAY 3
(Saez, Aguilera, Da Silva)
UNITED STATES 0 at Lang Park, Brisbane, crowd 17,200.
UNITED STATES 1 (Devey)
QATAR 1 (Badir Bealeh), URUGUAY 1 (Da Silva) POLAND 0 at Lang Park, crowd 10,122.
URUGUAY 1 (Villazen)
QATAR 0, POLAND 4 (Rzarka, Kowalik, Dziekanowski) at Lang Park, crowd 9,500.

Final group standings:
Uruguay 3 0 0 5 6
Qatar 1 1 1 2 3
Poland 1 0 2 4 2
U.S.A. 0 1 2 1 1

GROUP B
SOUTH KOREA 4 (Choi Soon-Ho 2, Kwak Sung-Ho, Kim Man-Kil) ITALY 1 (Marinelli)
BRAZIL 1 (Loomir) RUMANIA 1 (Zemfir), at Olympic Park, Melbourne, crowd 16,500.
RUMANIA 1 (Sortov)
SOUTH KOREA 0, BRAZIL 1 (Djalma Balala), ITALY 0 at

WYC match details

Olympic Park, crowd about 15,000.
BRAZIL 3 (Paulo Roberto, Ronaldo, Jun Jong-Sun own goal) SOUTH KOREA 0, RUMANIA 1 (Gabor pen.) ITALY 0 at Olympic Park, crowd 8,000.

Final group standings:
Brazil 2 1 0 5 1
Rumania 2 1 0 3 1
South Korea 1 0 2 4 5
Italy 0 0 3 1 0

GROUP C
WEST GERMANY 1 (Loose) MEXICO 0, EGYPT 2 (Amer 2) SPAIN 2 (S. Lopez, Nadal Oceana) at Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide, crowd about 10,000.
SPAIN 1 (Serrano MEXICO 1 (Cosa), EGYPT 2 (Helmi, Tamer pen.) WEST GERMANY 1 (Loose) at Hindmarsh Stadium, crowd 14,120.
MEXICO 3 (Vaca, Farfan, Herrera) EGYPT 3 (Saleh 2, Guillen o.g.)
WEST GERMANY 4 (Wohlfarth 2, Treih, Anthes) SPAIN

2 (S. Lopez, Fabregat) at Bruce Stadium, Canberra, crowd about 8,000.
Final group standings:
West Germany 2 0 1 6 4
Egypt 1 2 0 7 6
Spain 0 2 1 5 7
Mexico 0 2 1 4 5

GROUP D
AUSTRALIA 2 (Koussas, Hunter) ARGENTINA 1 (Burchesga), ENGLAND 2 (Finnigan, Day) CAMEROON 0 at Sydney Sports Ground, crowd 15,814.
AUSTRALIA 3 (Koussas 2 incl pen., Mitchell) CAMEROON 3 (Djonkep 2, Olie Olie), at International Sports Centre, Newcastle, crowd 13,787.
ARGENTINA 1 (Urruti) ENGLAND 1 (Small) at Sydney Sports Ground, crowd approx. 16,000.
ARGENTINA 1 (Cocchi) CAMEROON 0, ENGLAND 1 (Small) AUSTRALIA 1 (Koussas) at Sydney Sports Ground, crowd 28,932.

Final group standings:
W D L F A Pts
England 1 2 0 4 2 4
Australia 1 2 0 6 5 4
Argentina 1 1 1 3 3 3
Cameroon 0 1 2 3 6 1

QUARTER-FINALS
WEST GERMANY 1 (Wohlfarth) AUSTRALIA 0 at Bruce Stadium, Canberra, crowd about 15,000.
RUMANIA 2 (Gabor 2) URUGUAY 1 (Barnustal) at Olympic Park, crowd about 13,000.
ENGLAND 4 (Webb 3, Cook) EGYPT 2 (Amer, Saleh pen) at Sydney Cricket Ground, crowd 8,233.
QATAR 3 (Khalid 3 incl pen.) BRAZIL 2 (Ronaldo, Loomir) at International Sports Centre, Newcastle, crowd 12,593.

SEMI-FINALS
Tonight (Wednesday):
RUMANIA v. WEST GERMANY at International Sports Centre, 8.30pm.
ENGLAND v. QATAR at Sydney Cricket Ground, 8pm.

The drawing power of the world youth championship final was reduced considerably by the elimination of Australia, Uruguay and Brazil last Sunday.

Australia's presence would have ensured a packed house at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Sunday.

The ball artistry of mighty Uruguay or Brazil also would have packed them in.

As we went to Press, the ASF was hoping that the finalist would be England and West Germany — a youth version of the 1966 World Cup final which England won 4-2 in extra time.

But that depends on the outcome of tonight's (Wednesday's) semi-finals. England meets Qatar at the Sydney Cricket Ground and West Germany, conqueror of Australia, meets Rumania at Olympic Park.

England, after its lacklustre performance against Cameroon (2-0) in the opening round, has improved and fought back strongly to beat Egypt 4-2 in the quarter-finals, after trailing 0-2.

Neil Webb boosted the attack considerably in that game, scoring a memorable hat-trick.

Qatar has been the surprise packet of the tournament with a 1-0 victory over Poland, a 1-1 draw with the U.S., a narrow 0-1 loss to Uruguay and most significantly, a 3-2 victory over Brazil, with striker Khalis notching a hat-trick.

The Australian crowd, which loves the underdog, would be right behind Qatar if it reaches the final.

Similarly, it would support West Germany, for then the fans could say that Australia lost only to the world champions.

With Ralf Loose, Thomas Herbst, Roland Wohlfarth and Holger Anthes playing well,

Germany indeed has a good chance of reaching the final.

But Rumania has the advantage of having stayed in Melbourne for the entire series and having become accustomed to the Olympic Park ground and to the climate.

Rumania also has the powerful shooting of Romulus Gabor, the free kick specialist who scored both from long range in the 2-1 victory over Uruguay on Sunday.

Whichever teams reach the finals, they will stand in the spotlight of world sport. An audience estimated at 750 million will watch the final on TV. — LAURIE SCHWAB

There's still room for improvement

No doubt about it, the young Soccerroos grabbed the public's imagination in a few short days, by clawing their way into the quarter-finals of the World Youth Championships.

Their efforts can best be described as determined against Argentina, fortunate against the Camerouns and unlucky in the clashes with England and West Germany.

Under the tutelage of Les Scheinflug our bunch of youngsters became more cohesive than any Australian national team in recent memory.

They also play an adventurous brand of football which, like most other teams in this tournament, is based on open

and committed charges into attack.

However, to listen to the comments from ASF officials and some sections of the media in recent days makes me worry even more for the future of Australian soccer.

Will we never learn?

Can't we just for once look objectively at something and learn from our shortcomings? This would in no way detract from the efforts of our young heroes. On the contrary, it would be doing them a service, allowing our coaches and players to pinpoint the

By Peter Scott
IN FOCUS



areas where further improvement is needed. That is, assuming, that people recognise the need for constant and continuous improvement.

Shortcomings there are aplenty, such as the good old Aussie disease of needing at least eight glaring opportunities to snatch one goal, and colossal shortcomings in the technical aspects of the game, like simple control of a boun-

cing ball and first-time shooting.

Our goalkeeping can also be rather suspect in pressure situations.

As the great Helonio Herrera, here on a scouting mission during the championships, said after a look at the young Aussies: "You can't have too many good coaches in Australia."

One of my remarks in last week's column must be qualified. The England team, looking a bunch of easybeats after their first match, are improving from game to game and could well end up in the final.

Credit for this remarkable rise must go to their coach John Cartwright.

He certainly achieved what he has without any real assist-

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Rumania's in, thanks to goalie Lovas

MATCH RATING:

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**Rumania 2
Uruguay 1**

Scorers: Romulus Gabor 25th, 83rd (Rumania) Carlos Berrueta 61st (Uruguay).
Ground: Olympic Park.
Crowd: 17,000.

Referee: Menegali (Italy) 2.
Cautions: Andone, Balint, Balaur, Sortov (Rumania), Da Silva (Uruguay).

RUMANIA: Lovas 9 — Eduard 7, Andone 8, Rednic 9, Matei 8 — Balint 8, Balaur 7, Hanghuc 7 (Fisic 86th) — Zamfir 8 (Bolba 65th), Sortov 7, Gabor 9.

URUGUAY: Arias 5 — Vazquez 7, Pena 8, Gutierrez 8, Bolian 7 — Aguilera 9, Berrueta 8, Baez 8, Francescoli 9 — Da Silva 8, Noble 7.

Although the gates at Olympic Park did not open until 2pm, the fanatical Uruguayan supporters were outside waiting at about 12 o'clock.

It was a carnival type atmosphere with drums and streamers, trumpets and flags, hats and songs. Clearly to these supporters there would only be one winner and it would not be Rumania. Although outnumbered the

Rumanian supporters had other ideas. They were not as colorful as the Uruguayans but they were making just as much noise.

Uruguay, kicking towards the MCG, could have scored in the first minute. Left winger Alexis Noble dribbled well on the touchline to win a corner. Leftback Carlos Melian drove a low ball into the area and Jorge Da Silva, unmarked, struck the ball over the top from just inside the box.

Rumania's first attack comes a minute later. Left back Marin Matei is chopped down while in attack Left winger Romulus Gabor clips the ball over but it easily is cleared.

After seven minutes Uruguay creates another chance. A cross comes in from the right and midfielder Enza Francescoli heads down to right winger Carlos Aguilera who strikes the ball with the outside of his foot but the shot goes past the left hand upright.

At this stage Uruguay looks very confident going forward. Both sides look shaky at the back, obviously due to early nerves.

The game is scrappy with the ball being given away endlessly in midfield. In the 11th minute Rumanian central striker Steve Sortov has a shot which keeper Carlos Arias drops but recov-

ers to smother it on the boot of midfielder Mihaita Hanghuc.

Two points which stand out even at this early stage are that the Uruguayans knock the ball along the ground into their strikers' feet when they attack. This is the only team I have seen so far that do it. Hurrah!

Secondly, the Uruguayans do not mind chopping people down, especially at the back. Referee Menegali from Italy is letting too much of this go.

In the 16th minute Noble receives the ball in the area off a defender and his first time effort goes narrowly wide.

Rumania has settled well and is coming forward in numbers now.

In the 25th minute Gabor is brought down about a yard from the corner flat. He takes the free kick himself and bends it in with his right foot. Uruguayan keeper Arias is caught at the near post and the ball sails over his head into the top right corner. What a goal. The Rumanian crowd erupts.

Two minutes later Gabor rides three very heavy challenges in his own half before being floored. He complains to the referee and is promptly booked. The game is getting rougher, the refereeing getting worse.

The referee makes amends when he books Da Silva for a roughhouse challenge. Mr Menegali is trying to regain



Uruguay — probably the most exciting team in the youth championships — before its 1-2 loss to Rumania in the quarter-finals. From left, standing: Pena, Arias, Berrueta, Melian, Vazquez, Gutierrez; front: Aguilera, Lopez Baez, Da Silva, Francescoli, Noble. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

control, but he has let too much go.

Rumanian sweeper Mircea Rednic is having a great game defensively and is causing trouble as he surges into midfield unchallenged.

Wingers Gabor and Dorel Zamfir are also doing very well. Both are coming from deep and running at defenders, causing problems. Uruguay comes close to equalising in the 35th minute when Aguilera is put through on the right. He has two chances which keeper Iosif Lovas blocks well. From the resulting corner Da Silva heads wide.

Da Silva repeats his performance from an Aguilera cross two minutes later.

Gabor has a good chance a minute into injury time when he breaks down the left. But with the Uruguayan defence stretched wide he opts to go outside. The chance is wasted and Rumania goes in with a one goal lead at the break.

The Uruguayans have come to town with a big reputation and are not quite living up to it. They are going forward well, but once there, they want too good an opportunity around the edge of the area. They turn and create shooting opportunities but ignore them and try to beat another one or two men.

The teams return to the field and the Uruguayans go into a basketball style huddle, probably to see themselves up for the second half.

It seems to work as they look much keener and their tackling has lost none of its bite.

In the 47th minute the ball drops off a group of players and Aguilera strikes a powerful volley from 25 metres that goes well over.

Zamfir then has the chance to seal the game for Rumania. Midfielder Decebail Balaur makes a strong run up the right and crosses for Zamfir who takes much too long and Arias smother.

In the 49th minute Rumania retains its lead by the skin of its teeth.

Uruguay receives a free kick just off centre and outside the penalty area. The ball is clipped in and falls firstly to Francescoli and then to Da Silva, who both fire in savage drives but with keeper Lovas beaten, midfielder Hanghuc saves both efforts superbly. Look ma, no hands!

The dreaded Uruguayan stickyboot disease gradually is affecting the Rumanians. In the 53rd minute midfielder Gavril Balint is well placed, but tries to do too much and the chance is wasted.

Referee Menegali adds Rumanian central defender Andone to his book in the 54th minute. One minute later Balint's name goes in as well.

Uruguay is coming into the game more and more. This pressure pays dividends in the 60th minute when six

metres Aguilera hits a brilliant volley. Keeper Lovas reacts magnificently to save. The ball falls to midfielder Carlos Berrueta who, from 20 metres, hits a thunderbolt shot. It screams through a group of players no more than six inches off the ground all the way and leaves Lovas strangled as it buries itself in the back of the net. Rumania 1 Uruguay 1.

Berrueta then takes off past his players, off the field past his bench and looks headed for Swan Street and the city until tackled by a group of Uruguayan supporters.

The fans are on, the substitutes are on and as a result of this a track suit is on the playing area. And there it stays, as the game goes on, for about 10 minutes.

Uruguay is on top now and looking dangerous. In the 62nd minute Aguilera is put through but Lovas again does well to smother the ball.

Rumania makes a substitution in the 65th minute when surprisingly Zamfir goes off and Mircea Bolba comes on.

Three minutes later a quickly taken free kick puts midfielder Lopez Baez through but again Lovas blocks the shot.

Uruguay wastes several chances in the next five minutes by being too fancy around the box. Then Noble misses the shot that probably cost Uruguay the game.

From a scramble outside the Rumanian area he picks up the ball and spins around one defender and past sweeper Rednic. He then looks over at the linesman for some inexplicable reason and Lovas does brilliantly to race out and spread himself, plucking up the ball in the process.

In the 79th minute a corner on the right sees Uruguayan defender Pena flick on at the near post. The ball goes over Lovas, leaving an open goal. The smallest man afield, little Aguilera, races in to head home but misses the ball by centimetres. Missed by THAT much!

With eight minutes remaining Rumania breaks upfield. Substitute Bolba is fouled some 30 metres from goal.

Gabor again takes charge and bends the ball over the defensive wall and into the top right hand corner. A truly magnificent effort which puts the Rumanians ahead.

In the 85th minute Rumania takes off midfielder Hanghuc and brings on Cornel Fisic, a tall defender.

The Rumanians obviously mean to shut up shop.

Referee Menegali adds Rumanian striker Steve Sortov to his book for some obscure reason. Visiting pressman "Mad Mick" announces: "He

(Menegali) only needs the keeper for a full set!"

In the dying seconds Noble crosses to the far post and Aguilera hits a wonderful volley which is heading for the top corner until that man Lovas arrives again at full stretch to tip around the post.

Mr Menegali blows the final whistle and the Uruguayans fall to the ground crying. Many of their supporters come onto the ground and cry with them.

The Rumanians and their supporters are on the field crying with happiness. To top off the scenes a group of demonstrators run onto the ground with a banner that reads "Support the Uruguayan workers. Down with the Dictatorship" but nobody really took any notice and they soon disappeared.

After the game the Rumanian coach Cernaianu said that Rumanian captain, midfielder Costel Iie, had a torn thigh muscle and would take no further part in the competition.

When I asked him why he took winger Zamfir off he said: "Zamfir did not play well and on top of that he missed a good chance in the second half."

This surprised me as I thought Zamfir had played well, especially in the first half when Rumania was on top. Thank goodness not all coaches take you off when you miss a chance.

Uruguayan coach Bentancor defended his keeper Arias for the two Rumanian goals but said part of the blame was his.

When asked what losing this game would cost his players financially he replied: "Between three to four thousand dollars." Not a bad payment for two weeks work had they won.

In reply to my question about the ability of Qatar he stated that: "Qatar are a very skilful side and play in the Brazilian style."

So Uruguay bows out of the tournament along with Argentina failing to qualify for the quarter-finals, our South American contingent go home when at least one of them was expected to win the cup.

Uruguay, in the end, was disappointing.

It looked excellent going forward and created much by playing balls into the feet of strikers. However the strikers insisted on doing too much once they had turned and so many chances went begging, the biggest culprit of all being winger Noble.

Rumania looked very good at times. Wingers Gabor and Zamfir caused trouble with their running and crossing. Midfielder Balint did well early and sweeper Rednic was excellent at the back, often pushing into midfield giving the Rumanians an extra man.

My player of the game however was keeper Iosif Lovas. A big, strong, courageous keeper, he made many excellent reaction saves and held many crosses. His speed off his line to smother or block shots was stunning.

The player most missed by Rumania today was skipper Iie. He is a fine midfielder who not only plays well but has the ability to slow the Rumanians down and steady them. This they needed against Uruguay, especially in the first half when leading 1-0.

Rumania now meets West Germany at Olympic Park tonight (Wednesday) at 8.30pm. This should be a tough, hard fought contest.

The Germans will be well coached and probably very stereotyped. This probably gives Rumania a good chance because it is that little bit more unpredictable up front which could swing the game in Rumania's direction.



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ENGLAND IN SEMIS, TWO SENT OFF

By TED SIMMONS

MATCH RATING:

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England 4
Egypt 2

Scorers, England: Webb 41st, 65th, and 82nd.; Cooke 60th.; Egypt: Tamer Amer 27th., Hisham Saleh penalty 40th.

Venue: Sydney Cricket Ground.

Crowd: 8,293.

Referee: Jose Martinez (Uruguay) 8.

ENGLAND: Kendall 7 — Banfield 8 (sent off 87th.), Greenall 6, Robson 3, Crosby 7 (Kinsley 7, half time) — Finnigan 6 (Cooke 7, 39th.), Peake 9, Dey 7 — Small 6, Wallace 8, Webb 9.

EGYPT: Mohamed Ashour 9 — Mostafa Aboudahab 7, Mohamed Helmy 8, Ossama Abbas 7, Khalid Amshaty 8 — Hisham Saleh 8, Tarek Sofman 6 (Khamis Hassan 65th.), Amer Tamer Abou-zied 8 — Alah Mayhoub 7,

Sherif Khashab 6, Mohamed Dessuk 6.

England fought back from two goals behind to overwhelm Egypt in the second half for a convincing 4-2 success at Sydney Cricket Ground.

They will now meet giant-killers Qatar in the semi-final at the cricket ground tonight (Wednesday).

Winger Neil Webb hammered an impressive hat-trick and the only problem for Uruguayan referee Jose Martinez occurred three minutes from full-time when he sent off Neil Banfield (England) and Khalid El Amshaty (Egypt) for kicking.

Despite the absence of suspended captain, Paul Allen, England dominated the first 20 minutes against a lethargic Egypt, with new captain Andy Peake controlling the midfield.

But Egypt opened the



Hisham Saleh (on ground) scores Egypt's equaliser with a diving header at Hindmarsh Stadium. The match was drawn 3-3. Photo by FRANK HOBBS.

score against the run of play when Sherif El Khashab was brought down in the penalty area by Colin Greenall and Egyptian captain Tamer Amer converted the penalty.

Five minutes from half time Hisham Saleh made it 2-0 when the limping Philip Crosby attempted to pass back to keeper Mark Kendall and Saleh raced between them and slipped the ball into the goal.

England replied practically from the kick-off

when Banfield pushed a long ball to the waiting Webb who cut in from the right and drove a low shot past keeper Mohamed Ashour.

The second half started more vigorously, with Ashour being bundled over twice by the charging England strikers and requiring medical treatment.

Substitute John Cooke levelled the scored in the 60th. minute after David Wallace made the initial break, and five minutes

later was on hand to slide a pass to the running Webb who made it 3-2.

Webb brought up his third goal eight minutes from the final whistle when he smashed a free kick from just outside the penalty area and it deflected off the right post into the net.

England had maintained their domination for nearly the entire match and their professionalism proved too strong for Egypt.

John Cartwright, the England coach, was particularly critical about his team after the match, claiming they gave away two silly goals through bad defence.

"I'm not satisfied with the midfield or our finishing. We need a bit more of the James Bond tough up front for scoring," he said.

Cartwright said he was surprised at getting so far in the tournament but still believed any of the last

four teams could be the winner.

The return of captain Paul Allen for the semi-final will boost the England attack but Cartwright said he would have to think about the replacement for Banfield, who will be automatically suspended.

England's coach revealed that he knew very little at Qatar but will study some film tapes over the next few days.

Youth stars basis of a new national team

MATCH RATING:

9

West Germany 1
Australia 0

Scorer: Wohlfarth 69th. Ground: Bruce Stadium. Crowd: 16,000. Referee: Lund Sorenson (Denmark) 7.



By HARRY WILLIAMS

In the end West Germany's heroes were front-runner Roland Wohlfarth and blond-haired goalkeeper, Rudiger Vollborn.

It was Wohlfarth who headed them into the lead in the 69th. minute from a Holger Anthes cross.

And finally it was Vollborn who prevented a deserved Australian equaliser.

Australia Jim Patikas was awarded a 74th. minute penalty when Jim Patikas was through on the right flank and racing goalwards when West Germany's sweeper Michael Zorc first pulled his shirt and then upended him in the box.

Mark Koussas the leading World Youth Cup goalscorer, stepped up to take the kick.

Tragically for the Sydney Olympian youngster his shot wasn't that well taken and West Germany's goalkeeper Rudiger Vollborn read the

situation, moved to his left to make a full-length diving save.

Australia were out of the World Youth Cup in the quarter finals.

Yet even after the penalty set-back they kept coming forward, kept worrying and harrowing the West German defence which by this stage had lost its traditional composure.

Right on the final whistle a corner was floated over brilliantly and Koussas and Hunter pressured Vollborn into dropping the ball. Koussas gathered the ball and hammered it home.

The crowd rose in one huge shout... GOAL! But it wasn't to be, for before the ball had entered the net Danish referee Lund Sorenson had blown for an infringement.

Yet to me the goal looked good.

Yet for all of Australia's pressure why did West Germany make the semi-finals?

Many will no doubt have asked the question and just as many versions would be available as the answer.

Victory was due to West Germany's experience on the back-line, the cool, calm, collected Michael Zorc, general hard tackling — and finally a certain amount of luck.

Australia did enough to win.

Certainly one can say this — just as coach Les Scheinflug said after the game:

"This is a squad we must keep together. It proved it will serve Australia well for the future".

It most certainly will. They more than matched West Germany in all departments of the game.

Even West Germany's goal wasn't that outstanding and until Oscar Crino slipped and Ahearn committed himself too early it looked to be covered.

But no excuses. West Germany made the semi final.

Let's go back to that explosive start.

Australia attacked im-

mediately and within two minutes David Mitchell had got his head to a Mark Koussas cross but steered it wide.

Yet in the seventh minute, with their very first counter attack, West Germany proved just how dangerous they were on the break.

Wohlfarth broke down the right flank and Herbst dove full-length to get his head to the cross and young Ahearn had to go full-stretch to tip it over the bar.

A great start! And that was how the game continued right throughout.

First Australia attacked, and attacked — and then West Germany counter-attacked.

Proof of Australia's first half pressure came from the fact that in the first half Australia forced ten corners to Germany's two.

The second half was the same. Australian territorial supremacy, constant attacks but failure to break a superbly drilled and marshalled German defence.

West Germany said it was by far their toughest game of the Cup to date.

Small consolation to the losers. One couldn't really single out individuals for particular praise.

It was truthfully a total Australian team effort.

However, one can't help but say players like Crino, Kay and Mitchell proved that Australia's Under-20 talent is the equal of the best in the World.

And that begs another question. Where do they go from here?

Will Australia make absolutely certain that it doesn't lose them to overseas teams?

Hopefully, but through planned coaching and continued blending of the best of the youngsters in the full senior national squad, we will not have them lost to Australian soccer.

So for Australia the World Youth Cup is over.

But for us it was a quarter final game to savour and remember for years. Perhaps for a lifetime.

Well done Australia!

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Santana: 'None will be considered'

The most disconsolate figure after Brazil's surprise 3-2 loss to Qatar was not Brazilian youth coach Vava or the controversial delegation head, Orlando Duarte.

The man who will feel the effects of the loss and the poor showing of Brazil in the tournament is the senior national team coach Tele Santana.

Sitting almost unnoticed in the Newcastle International Sports Centre stand, Santana's presence with the Brazilian team had been completely unheralded.

But he is the man who may shape the destiny of next year's World Cup finals in Spain, guiding Brazil to what most observers believe could be its fourth title.

Santana did not attend the post-match press conference after the Qatar clash; he didn't even wear the official Brazilian uniform.

"I'm here just to watch," he said later in his hotel. "Vava is the coach of the youth team and I don't want to interfere," he said.

By STEPHEN DETTRE

But Santana — a former brilliant player himself with the Rio club Fluminense — couldn't hide his disappointment over Brazil's stunning loss to the Qatari youngsters.

"Brazil didn't play well," he said. "But in any form of World Cup matches you have to expect that one day nothing will go right and you can suffer unexpected losses," he said.

Santana was disappointed about the players in the Brazilian youth side.

"I will not consider any of these boys for next year's World Cup team in Spain," he said.

"There are other, older players in Brazil who are better than these players and they are all competing for places in the national team," Santana said.

Santana has been highly acclaimed by both world and the critical Brazilian media for transforming the Brazilian national team.

Once again the former world champions are playing 'Brazilian soccer' after a terrible period during the 1970s.

"I think a mistake of coaches with the national team since 1970 has been that they adopted the wrong approach."

"After 1970 when Pele, Tostao and the other world famous stars retired from the scene, Brazil found it had a crisis with a lack of quality players," Santana said.

"As a result coaches tried to adopt a European style of soccer, like the Germans the Dutch, based on team work."

"But that was a mistake, because just as the Europeans can't play South American soccer, the South Americans shouldn't try to play in a European style," he said.

Santana said he had tried to bring more technique back into the Brazilian national team's game.

"I want lots of art from my sides," he said.

"We must play soccer, not compete in athletic events."

"That is why ball control and technique are more important than power, fighting and running."

"Those attributes are necessary, but they must come after skill," he said.

Santana was guarded when quizzed on who he considered Brazil's chief rivals for the World Cup in Spain.

"I believe West Germany, Belgium and the host nation, Spain, will be the main European rivals, while from South America I think Argentina will also be once again strong," he said.

Santana was asked to compare Brazil's great Pele with Maradona, the young Argentinian star heralded as the best player in the world at present.

"There is no comparison," he said.

"Pele was unique, a phenomenon that will not be seen again this century."

"He was a complete footballer, but although Maradona is a fine player he cannot be compared with Pele," he said.

Vava hits out as Qatar dumps Brazil



MATCH RATING:

9

**Qatar 3
Brazil 2**

Scorers, Qatar: Khalid 10th, 53rd & penalty 87th;
Brazil: Ronaldo 26th, Loomir 77th.

Venue: International Sports Centre, Newcastle.

Crowd: 12,593.

Referee: Antonio Marquez (Mexico) 7.

Cautions: Galvao, Julior Cesar, Loomir (Brazil), Ahmed Al Majid (Qatar).

BRAZIL: Pereira 7 —

Paulo Roberto 7, Luiz Antonio 5, Mauro Galvao 6,

Paulo Cesar 7 — Josimar 8, Julio Cesar 7, Loomir 6,

— Cacau 8 (Verdum 55th).

Ronaldo 8, Baia 7 (Marcelo 69th).

QATAR: Ahmed Al Majid 8 — Alsuwaidi 9,

Adal Ahmed 9, Mayouf 9,

Sameer 9, Hossain 9, Massar 7,

Hossain 7, Khalid 9 — Badir Beal 7, Al Sada 8, Al Mohannadi 7.

Brazilian coach

Vava was highly critical of Mexican referee

Marquez who dis-

allowed a goal by Ronaldo in the 25th

minute and awarded a late penalty from which Qatar scored

its winning goal.

Ronaldo's disallowed

goal was scored with a header after a free kick on

the left, but the whistle

had gone for an infringement while the ball

was in flight.

The penalty was awarded

overhandball by Paulo Cesar. Vava claimed

the ball had hit the left back on the shoulder but the TV

replay showed it had hit him on the arm and that he

had moved his arm at the ball.

Some of the Brazilian

players harassed the referee after the game and a

leading Brazilian official



The Brazilians — eliminated by Qatar in an upset result.

appeared to have a swipe at him. The police had to intervene.

It was a very entertaining game, and Qatar

was impressive. Its

defence is solid, Khalid is

a deadly finisher and Al

Sada, the central striker,

has tremendous skill and

often mesmerised the

Brazilian defence.

Qatar went ahead early

and never fell behind.

Brazil had expected to win

easily, and so it became a

bit frustrated.

In its victory over Italy

in Melbourne, Brazil's

defence was brilliant, and

the whole team succeeded

in smothering the Italians.

This time, the Brazilians

stood off their opponents,

and it was Qatar that was

doing all the hassling, all

the closing down.

Khalid scored the first

goal in the 10th minute,

after a long clearance by

Qatar's defence. The ball

went over the heads of the

Brazil defence, Khalid

shot, Pereira got a hand to

it, but it rolled in.

Brazil equalised 16

minutes later, with one of

the finest moves of the

match. The ball was

worked down the right

flank, starting with Paulo

Roberto who pushed it to

Cacau. He slipped it inside

to Josimar and then it

went to Roberto who

goaled with a great shot

with the outside of his foot.

With the score 1-1 at half

time, Brazil warmed to its

task and started to look a

lot better.

Josimar broke through

and went around the

goalkeeper, but Sameer

blocked him at the crucial

moment.

Then Ronaldo headed

against the crossbar after

a cross from Cacau.

Brazil looked comfort-

ably in control now and it

appeared to be only a

matter of time before it

took the lead.

But in the eighth minute

of the second half, Al Sada

breezed through the

defence on the right and,

as he was about the shoot,

he jumped over the ball

and allowed Khalid,

coming from behind, to

belt it into the goal to put

Qatar 2-1 ahead.

The Qataris jumped for

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MATCH RATING:

7

**Poland 4
United States 0**

Scorers: Dziekwa-

nowski 67th, 69th, Rzepka

18th, Kowalik 19th.

Ground: Lang Park.

Crowd: 7,300.

Referee: T. Boskovic

(Australia) 9.

UNITED STATES: Scar-

pell 7, Fernandez 6, Gar-

diner 5, Hundek 6, Ainslie

6, Meyer 6 (Ali 55th 6),

Saldana 5, Doran 6, Kain 6,

Devey 7, Goe 6 (Jianetto

69th).

POLAND: Zajda 7, Bo-

ruszowski 7, Sokozowski

7, Geszleht 8, Wdowczyk

7, Rzepka 8, Pekala 8,

Kaczmarek 6 (Tarnawicz

45th 7), Urban 7, Dzieka-

nowski 8, Kowalik 7.

This obviously was a far

different Polish side from

the earlier games, and it

certainly had a point to

prove after dismal show-

ings which caused its eli-

mination.

But to be fair it did not

really have a great deal of

opposition from a very

ordinary United States

combination.

Led by midfielders

Rzepka, Poland's best

player in the tournament

and busy striker Dzieka-

nowski, it played at last

with conviction, enthu-

siasm and a great deal of

skill, not shown in the

previous matches.

If it had played like this

from the start it surely

would have been a force to

be reckoned with.

The Americans had a

slim hope of qualifying for

the quarter-finals, but they

had to win 3-0 to bypass

Qatar and of course they

never were really in the

hunt.

Their defence was slow-

moving and ponderous and

the midfield men almost

were non-existent. It

certainly proved how

much they missed the sus-

pended John Stollmeyer.

Had the U.S. been able

to rattle up the victory it

needed, I feel it would

have been easy pickings in

the south, on this perfor-

mance.

Admittedly it seemed to

always get the rough end

of the stick through any

controversial refereeing

decisions and maybe this

got to it a little.

But at least the Ameri-

cans were positive enough,

led by USSF president

Gene Edwards, to request

a meeting with FIFA offi-

cialists and offer construc-

tive suggestions on the ref-

ereeing situation for future

tournaments.

I like the idea of only ap-

pointing the best 24 refere-

es in the world, even if

they all come from the one

country.

And it seems pointless

choosing referees for these

tournaments just because

their countries are repre-

sented in the finals. If the

referees involved have no

ties with any of the final-

ists, then there can be no

cause whatsoever for com-

plaint.

This game was some-

what of an anti-climax, be-

cause of its one-sided

nature but the crowd

nevertheless enjoyed four

fine goals, two in each

half, scored the way goals

should be.

Two goals within a

minute finished the Ameri-

cans off. Rzepka fittingly

got the first and Kowalik

the second, after helping

his midfielder with the

opening goal.

Striker Dariusz Dzieka-

nowski was one of the most

prominent Polish players

throughout but he was let

Egypt 3 Mexico 3

Scorers: Guillen o.g. 34th, Saleh 54th and 71st (Egypt), Vaca 19th, Farfan 29th, Rios 69th (Mexico).
Ground: Bruce Stadium.
Crowd: 8,000.

Referee: H.L. Sorenson (Denmark) 8.

EGYPT: Ashour 7, Sidky 7 (Aboudahab 36th. 7), Abbas 7, Amshaty 7, El Kashab 7, Mayhoub 7, Helmy 8, Saleh 9, Hashish 8, Amer 7 (Khamis Hassan 73rd.), Soliman 7.

MEXICO: Chavez 7, Coria 7, Munoz 7, Guillen 7, Servin 7, Martinez 8, Pereda 8, Coss 7, Farfan 7, Rios 7, Vaca 7 (Herrera 45th. 7).

German forward
Thomas Herbst.

Mexico 2-0 but Egypt back strongly

By HARRY WILLIAMS

A crowd of over 8,000 was treated to magnificent World Youth Cup soccer in Canberra last Thursday night. They witnessed some exhilarating play and a feast of 12 goals in the two games.

Quarter final berths went to Egypt and West Germany. And they deserved them.

But all round it truly was a superb evening's soccer.

But first things first — the Egypt vs Mexico game.

This was a game that Mexico blew.

Although there was little real overall difference between the two teams, in the end the difference was the ability of two or three players — and the fact that Egypt got up off the floor after being 2-0 down after 34 minutes.

In the opening minutes

both sides had chances but they were wasted.

The best came the way of Mexico's Angel Martinez in the 15th minutes when a chipped ball floated over the head of Egypt's defence as it tried to apply the off-side trap.

It didn't work and Martinez sped through but he

skied his chance well over the bar.

Just four minutes later Mexico went ahead.

Gonzalo Farfan spotted Jose Vaca racing down the left flank and found him in the corner. His chipped ball made Egypt's goalkeeper Mohamed Ashour commit himself too soon and when Vaca gathered the ball he was able to dribble it around Ashour and fire it into an empty net.

And just sixty seconds later Ashour again was in the action, this time to pull off a great diving save from a header from Ildefonso Rios.

Mexico was on top as Egypt struggled to stay in the game.

It looked all over after 29 minutes when Mexico's Gerardo Coria made a great run on the left flank by cutting inside. As Egyptian players surrounded him Coria side-footed the ball inside to find compatriot Farfan who was on hand to crash the ball into the net. Mexico, physically the bigger side, began to take control. But Egypt proved to be a real terrier by fighting back and lifting its game.

Prominent in attack was right winger Hisham Salen and Taher Amer. Egypt looked most dangerous from the right flank.

Saleh was a classical right winger, yet in the 34th. minute it was Sherif El Kashab who moved along the right flank and fired in a hard cross that Mexico's Jose Guillen got a boot to and steered it into his own net.

Egypt then attacked with renewed vigour. It found its men better and players were constantly

looking for the ball and the open spaces.

Two minutes after the equaliser it was Mohamed Helmy who went close when Mexico's goalkeeper Chavez fingertipped his 18-metre shot over the bar.

At half-time the scoreline read 2-1 and that was a fair reflection of the first half.

Egypt began well and just eight minutes after the turn-round striker Tarek Soliman's shot had Chavez beaten only to rap the crossbar.

Minutes later — the 54th to be precise — Helmy and Saleh challenged Chavez in the air and he dropped the ball. Helmy seized on the chance brilliantly, took the ball to the by-line, then squeezed it inside for Saleh to meet with a first time shot which rocketed into the net.

But Mexico then immediately showed opportunism by going ahead in the 69th minute.

Raul Servin sent over a well-timed cross which second half substitute Herrera flicked on with his head. Ildefonso Rios was right on the spot to head the goal.

Mexican fans in the big 8,000 crowd went wild.

But their jubilation was short-lived. Two minutes later Egypt got the goal that put it into the quarter-finals.

Egypt took full advantage of a weak clearance and when El Kashab saw Saleh free he gave him the ball and Saleh, Egypt's best player, cut inside to equalise.

It was a great game and lived up to the pre-match ballyhoo.

Fans couldn't have asked for more excitement and a greater number of goals.

— with PETER WINDSOR

Germans sharper in attack

MATCH RATING:

8

Spain 2 W. Germany 4

Scorers: Trieb 30th, Anthes 55th, Wohlfarth 46th and 85th (W. Germany), Francisco Lopez 71st, Fabregat 80th (Spain).

Ground: Bruce Stadium.

Crowd: 8,000.

Referee: Arnaldo Coelho (Brazil) 8.

SPAIN: Peralta 7, Vallina 8, Faragat 7, Rodriguez 7, Francisco Rodriguez 7, Ocano 7 (Casero 55th. 7), Lacalle 7, Francisco Lopez 9, Gonzalez 7, Sebastian Lopez 7, Gonzalo Lopez 7.

GERMANY: Vollborn 8, Schmidkunz 8, Trieb 8, Zorc 8, Winkhofer 8, Anthes 8 (Brummer 60th.), Herbst 8, Loose 9, Wohlfarth 9, Schoen 8 (Brunner 75th.), Sievers 8.

This was a totally different game to the Egypt v Mexico clash. Germany, much bigger and stronger at one stage led 3-0 before almost letting itself be overrun and getting a well-earned fourth goal

By HARRY WILLIAMS

for a 4-2 win just five minutes from full-time.

West Germany was a polished, professional side.

Yet Spain allowed itself to be dominated early on by allowing West Germany to close down spaces and quickly attack and dispossess the man with the ball.

Although Spain did plenty of attacking its final pass wasn't as pinpoint as West Germany's and the attacks usually floundered.

However, despite West Germany's early superiority, the game was 30 minutes old before Martin Trieb gave his side the vital first goal.

It was well-taken. A Spanish defender headed down a neat cross from Alfred Schoen which Trieb immediately gathered and steered into the net.

There was no further first half scoring but the second half was only sixty seconds old when West Germany went further ahead.

It began from a curling cross from Thomas Herbst which Spanish goalkeeper Fernando Peralta did well to save but could only manage to fingertip out of the centre.

West Germany's skipper, Rolf Loose, had a shot which was charged down but the ball

still ran loose and it was finally Roland Wohlfarth who made it 2-0.

It looked all over but for the shouting — even more so in the 55th. minute when Holger Anthes made it 3-0.

That's how superior in finishing ability the Germans were.

Any chance seemed to be converted while at the other end Spain was struggling to find the gaps.

Yet Spain showed courage by not giving up and finally its efforts were rewarded with a 71st. minute goal by Francisco Lopez.

I didn't think Spain would score again. Yet I was surprised very quickly for Jorge Fabregat, a defender, made it 3-2 after 80 minutes.

The Spanish fans in the crowd went wild. And Spain came on with a vengeance.

Germany lost composure and control and for the first time looked shaky and uncertain in defence.

Germany looked suspect until the 85th. minute goal by Wohlfarth — his second of the game.

Such was his excitement that he turned a somersault.

It was a great victory for the Germans.

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Reflecting back on it all, the most vivid impression I have is of an Argentinian supporter being punched in the face and falling at the feet of four English supporters who then kicked him in the head and as he sat half upright, in dazed semi consciousness then pounded his prone body with their heavy boots.

I felt that he must be dead, such was the viciousness of the attack. Similar brutal skirmishes were occurring all along the hill under the press box where I was standing.

No one in fact was killed, though two people were stabbed.

The ultra passiveness of the policemen and so-called security officials on duty was a major influence in the riot, lasting 15 minutes of violent, physical mayhem which amazingly did not produce a death.

The next most vivid memory of a week of world youth cup soccer, was the vibrant support for Australia by the 15,000 strong crowd in the game against Argentina.

No crowd ever has given an Australian soccer team such vocal support in my time in Australia.

Probably this was because for the first time during recent decades this was a truly Australian team made up of players brought up in Australia.

Urged on by the crowd Australia overpowered Argentina with sheer

Violence casts its shadow

physical effort and enthusiasm.

Their last second goal to win the game 2-1 will go down as one of the most magic moments in Australian soccer.

If you were looking for skill then it was there in abundance in the tall dark-skinned personalities who played for Cameroon.

A black reporter in the press box with me said that Cameroon was formerly Nigeria. It had a population of 9,000,000, with 500,000 playing soccer.

The deftness, mobility and general skill on the ball of the Cameroon team, especially the strikers, was quite remarkable.

Their fluid elegance and flair with the ball made their English opponents seem stiff, pedestrian and unskilled.

However, there is more to success in sport than just sheer individual skill.

Teamwork, aggression and personal commitment are also vital factors.

The English team, with the aid of a second-half wind, gradually

ground the Cameroons down and lack of discipline, commitment and team style became more apparent in the Cameroon ranks and the English finally ran out convincing winners of a game they could have lost badly.

The English displayed outstanding defensive qualities in a later game against Argentina.

It was a game the defending champion, Argentina, could not afford to lose if they wished to progress in the tournament. Indeed even a draw would be hardly good enough.

The Argentinians could not match the English in aggression in the tackle so in physical confrontations they were forced to kick, trip and elbow in order to compete.

The Italian referee did an excellent job to confine his discipline to several yellow cards to players on both sides.

Despite the constant physical pressure and aggression of the English the Argentinians produced some outstanding skills, especially incisive dribbling which brought many anxious moments to the English defence and several appeals for a penalty.

The resultant 1-1 result was probably fair.

The initial controversy over the danger of the floodlights to spectators at the Sydney Cricket Ground, forcing the

games to be transferred to the Spotsground, was the forerunner of a week of incident and action that may never be equalled in Australia's sporting history.

Argentina's progress stopped by goalkeeper Ndonhong

MATCH RATING: **8**

By MURRAY BARNES

Argentina 1
Cameroon 0

Venue: Sydney Sports Ground.

Crowd: 28,932.

Goal: Cecchi 12th.

Referee: Said Mubarak Waleed (Qatar) 6.

ARGENTINA: Goycochea 7, Clausen 9, Giovagnoli 8, Paradis 8, Alul 7, Morresi 9, Martino 8 (Gordillo 71st), Garcia 8 (Borrelli 57th) — Urruti 7, Cecchi 9, Mendoza 9.

CAMEROON: Ndonhong 9 — Essole 7, Kingo 8, Nyamsi Toba 8, Nji 7 — Mfede 8, Macky 7, Belinga Belinga 8 — Olle Olle 9, Ebongue 9, Djonkep (inj. sub. Eyobo 7, 20th min, sub. Dimbongue 77th).

Ernest Ebongue and Bertin Olle Olle had thrilled the Australian fans in earlier matches, but this time it was the turn of Cameroon's goalkeeper, Pierre Yombo Ndonhong to steal the limelight.

His moment of glory came in the 43rd minute when Carlos Mendoza dived dramatically and won a penalty for Argentina.

The Cameroon players protested bitterly and were given a stern talking to by the referee.

Mendoza took the penalty kick himself but Ndonhong reacted perfectly and blocked it. Mendoza came in for a second crack and again the goalkeeper was too good. The crowd loved it. "Cameroon, Cameroon," they chanted.

But alas, despite their valiant efforts, the Africans failed to gain the goal they needed.

By the same token, extra goals eluded Argentina, and so the defending world champions were eliminated on goal difference, with Australia and England advancing from this group.

Argentina needed to finish with a better goal difference and appeared capable of building it up to the desired level after Jorge Cecchi had scored in the 12th minute.

It was a good goal. He ghosted into the box and struck the ball low past Ndonhong into the far corner.

After quarter of an hour Argentina had had most of the play and looked sharper on the ball. Olle Olle and Ebongue were dangerous up front for Cameroon, but the Africans had to resort quite often to dragging their opponents down to avoid danger.

For Argentina, Juan Urruti was playing well in attack and Claudio Morresi was dominating the midfield.

In retrospect, Cameroon may have done much better had it not lost its brilliant left winger Bonaventure Djonkep through injury after only 20 minutes. His replacement, Alain Eyobo, played quite well, but he too was replaced late in the game by big striker David Dibongue.

The game turned quite physical as Cameroon gave it all it had, with Ebongue, Olle Olle and Mfede in midfield looking dangerous.

My own loyalties lay with the Africans. I wanted to see at least a draw, to take the pressure off Australia. Also, I like Cameroon's style of play. It's very entertaining. Ebongue, the man

everyone had praised so highly in the loss to England, was looking as good as ever — a bit better, really, than he had against Australia in the 3-3 draw in Newcastle.

But Argentina was looking more composed in midfield, whereas Cameroon had to rely on breakaways.

Then came the penalty, and it looked like a dive to me. The Argentinians had been diving all night, and finally they managed to fool the ref. It was justice to me that Ndonhong saved both shots.

Everyone was extremely pleased with the size of the crowd. It was the biggest in Sydney for ages, not counting the 50,000 that watched Australia beat New York Cosmos in 1979. The previous biggest would have been the 32,000 at the 1963 grand final between APIA and South Coast.

At half time I was thinking that Mfede perhaps should move up more in support of Eyobo and Ebongue. When Cameroon broke away, it often was a man short up there, making it very hard to score.

But suddenly Ebongue got away on a forward header by Eyobo and looked set to score. Peredes however, fouled him from behind.

Then Argentina brought on forward Borrelli for Garcia to add pep to its attack. Borrelli went to centre forward, pushing Cecchi out to a wing.

Cameroon again became crude in its tackling as Ar-

gentina stepped up its quest for another goal. Cameroon also started making mistakes. Mfede, for example, was getting caught with the ball in midfield and losing it. Morresi, in contrast, was brilliant in Argentina's midfield. He was making all the play.

But Argentina should have been going wide more often instead of crowding the ball into the middle.

One of Cameroon's best chances came in the 70th minute. Ebongue turned brilliantly past Peredes and launched a good shot. Goycochea repelled it, Olle Olle followed up with a header but again Goycochea held it.

Argentina had gone flat.

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joy, raced to the sideline for acknowledgement from their coach, and in doing so, almost conceded a goal. The referee allowed a reasonable period of time for them to come back, but they had not done so by the time he restarted play. With the Qataris all over the place, Ronaldo raced towards goal and it was only a brilliant save by Al Majid that prevented Ronaldo from scoring.

Again Brazil came back, this time with a header by Leomir after a corner kick on the right in the 77th minute.

And then Ronaldo shot just over the bar after ghosting into the area.

It was Qatar's day, though.

Even the warm-ups were classy

MATCH RATING: **7**

By JIM HERMISTON

Uruguay 1
Qatar 0

Scorer: Villazan 53rd.

Ground: Lang Park.

Crowd: 7,300.

Referee: S. Kamden (Cameroon) 6.

Cautions: Baaz (Uruguay).

URUGUAY: Arias 8, Ancheta 7, Pena 9, Gutierrez 9, Batista 6, Baaz 7, Lemos 7, Aguilera 7, Villazan 7, Da Silva 6 (Baray 78th), Noble 7.

QATAR: Y. Ahmad 2 (Amajid 7th 7), M. Alsowaidi 7, A. Ahmed 7, Mayouf 8, Almas 7, Afifa 7, Salem 6, Ahmed 7, K. Alsowaidi 6 (Alsada 63rd), Bafael 7, Almuhrnadi 6.

Before the match, it was fascinating to watch the different warm-ups of these two teams, which now will play in the quarter-finals.

Both began with slow stretching exercises then the Qataris broke into bouncing agility stretches, done with rhythm and precision.

They finished with pushing the ball around, incorporating short sprints. After their slow deliberate stretches, the Uruguayans did agility exercises and finished with slow running interspersed with short sprints. The two Uruguayan goalkeepers warmed up together and finished off their work by

kicking the ball, from their hands to each other, accurately, over a distance of some 30 metres.

The first choice keeper, Arias has obviously practised hard at this aspect of his game. Besides being a very competent and agile keeper his distribution in all three games was absolutely first class.

And his early long ball, early in the second half, helped to set up the winning goal.

The warm-ups for both teams obviously paid off because all players looked sharp and keen. Because of the well known Qatari offside trap, the Uruguayan coach Raul Bentancor had his players working at various ways of overcoming it during their training sessions.

The basis of the movements were that the ball must be played around. While the Uruguayan forwards came out with the Qatari defenders, one of the Uruguayan defenders would race from the back onto a pass from the middle field.

They did not get the opportunity to often because Qatar's Mayouf played a very competent role as sweeper and lay deeper than the normal sweeper, Adil Ahmed, had done in the previous games.

But the plan almost paid off late in the match when centre back Jose Pena went alone to burst through the middle and was only prevented from scoring when replacement keeper Alamidi was forced

Cameroon looked in with a chance, as it persisted with long balls to Ebongue and Olle Olle, with Mfede trying the occasional long-range shot.

Gordillo came on for Martino in another Argentine change. Gordillo, who had played so well against Australia, went to left back, and the previous left back, Jose Alul, moved up into midfield.

That seemed to spark the Argentinians. Clausen sent a good free kick just over the bar and then Mendoza had a good header saved by Ndonhong.

Ebongue put the ball into the net for Cameroon just before the end, on a long pass from Dibongue, but the offside whistle had gone, and he knew it.

— with LAURIE SCHWAB

With only three minutes to play, Paulo Cesar committed that handball, and Khalid completed his hat-trick of goals from the penalty spot.

The Brazilians left the pitch crying.

Vava, although disappointed and angry with the referee, praised Qatar for its performance.

"Qatar is only an emerging nation in world soccer, and the players are not as skilful as ours, but soccer's a strange game, and these things happen," he said.

We did not see Qatar's coach, Evarildo, who is a Brazilian. He preferred to stay with his players and celebrate.

— with JOE JANZONI

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Egyptian players salute the Hindmarsh Stadium crowd after downing West Germany 2-1 last week. The 14,000 strong crowd was right behind the underdog Egypt, which surprised everyone by reaching the quarter-finals of the youth tournament.

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Still room for improvement

From page one

What about the Press accommodations and facilities? With the greatest goodwill in the world a number of the individuals flaunting Press identifications — and occupying premium space — cannot be described as journalists, let alone working journalists.

And do you recall the earlier promises of top class TV coverage?

Well, the Ten network has done exactly nothing to promote the games in advance.

And when it does televise the matches, they are at quaint times, as late as 1 am and as early as 6 am.

Although its cameras are at every match, there is no such thing as a comprehensive round-up of all matches played on game nights and days.

As far as the non-soccer watching television audience is concerned, the championships may as well not be on at all.

How about Sir Arthur

George's comment on the uselessness of most holiday jaunts by visiting teams and how they ought to be replaced by tournaments played for prizemoney in the future?

Sir Arthur has just reinvented the wheel, and it is a wheel which many of us have been rolling along for a decade as a never-ending procession of disinterested, under strength British teams came in search of fun and sun in Australia.

Finally, credit where credit is due.

I dip my lid to Antoine Herbauts of Belgium, member of the FIFA Press Commission and the man who brought some semblance of order into the chaos which reigned around the Press box last week.

And to think, that 30 minutes before the opening match in Sydney they didn't even want to let him into the Press section!

Undaunted, by the time of the kick-off, he was in charge and making the best of any awful situation.

Well done Antoine.

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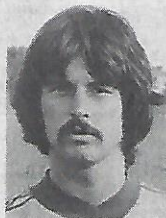
Koussas gets praise from England boss

MATCH RATING:
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**Australia 1
England 1**

Scorers, Aust.: Koussas 7th.; Eng.: Small 83rd.
Venue: Sydney Sports Ground.
Crowd: 28,932.
Referee: Igna Ioan (Romania) 8.

Cautions: Allen (Eng).
AUSTRALIA: Ahearn 7 — Wheatley 8, Crino 8, Blair 9, Tredinnick 8, Patikas 7 (Hunter 62nd), Kay 9, Raskopoulos 9, Incantalupo 8 (Lee 80th) — Koussas 9, Mitchell 9.
ENGLAND: Kendall 6 — Greenall 7, Banfield 7, Robson 6, Crosby 8 — Finnigan 7, Webb 7, Peake 8, Allen 7 — Wallace 9, Small 7.



**By
MURRAY
BARNES**

more composure, knocking the ball about better and making space in which to operate. Andy Peake in midfield was behind most of their moves and for a few minutes Australia had to defend desperately.

But suddenly there was little Paul Kay, storming down the left wing, taking the ball right up, but he had no support in that lightning raid, and his forward ball went begging.

A header by Danny Wallace was the only worthwhile forward action by England up to the 40th minute. Glen Ahearn dived a little late, but got to it OK.

None of the English players was standing out. Not even Paul Allen of West Ham was impressive — and we all know about his reputation.

As the half drew to a close, I thought perhaps Les Scheinflug should consider bringing on Ian Hunter for Jim Patikas to increase our drive down that flank.

England would have to increase its urgency and vary its play. The play of playing high balls to Mike Small wasn't working because Blair was cutting out those balls with ease.

Two minutes from the break Peake tried a long shot from out on the wing. It looked like going just under the bar but Ahearn flew well and tapped it over.

Then Patikas broke away fast and pushed the ball through for Kay whose shot however was too high, and a header by Koussas also flashed over.

Australia had attacked for most of the first half in an exciting display, whereas England had been no better than workmanlike. England would have to attack more after the break.

But again it was Australia that grabbed the game by the neck after the interval. Within two minutes, Incantalupo broke away, timed a nice pass wide to Mitchell and England again had to scramble desperately to block the Aussies.

Mitchell was again charged down a few moments later after using all his pace to flash into the penalty area on a good run.

Then Patikas stuck the ball into the goal after Kendall had dropped it, but the referee ruled that Kendall had been fouled and disallowed the goal.

I've got to be honest here, and say that although Australia was playing well, I expected England to come back strongly. There was so much activity that a 2-2 draw was possible.

I talked earlier about Australia's skill — and skill is one commodity which we rarely are credited. Anyone who still had doubts must remember

how Kay cleverly delayed the ball in midfield despite close opposition and timed a great through ball for Patikas who would have been in had it not been for the alertness of Phil Crosby, who did quite well in defence.

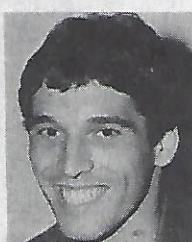
Then Incantalupo showed skill and cool control in accepting a long ball from Raskopoulos, turning and shooting just past the post.

England was well in it, though, as Robson and Wallace both had shots blocked in the area, and Peake saw his long drive flash over the bar.

Mitchell stormed forward and again it was Crosby who stopped the attack, albeit with a crude foul from behind. From the free kick, Raskopoulos bent a Brazilian-type shot towards bar, and Kendall had a lot of difficulty with it but he flew well to save.

At the other end, Ahearn made a long shot by Allen look more dangerous than it was, and Koussas displayed all his tenacity in clearing an England attack, as the last man in Australia's defence!

Tredinnick was getting



Mark Koussas

stronger and stronger at left back, tackling fiercely and using his body well to go right through his opponents. He also overlapped when he could and it was from his run out of defence that Incantalupo got the chance for another good shot. It went behind Kendall to the far post, but no one was following it quickly enough.

Crosby missed narrowly with a low shot for England and moments later Crosby was back to take a through ball from Kay off Mitchell's foot close to goal.

Robert Wheatley managed a timely tackle in the box as three England forwards threatened. I reckon if Koussas had been in



Steve Blair

their for England, he would have scored in that situation.

But England got its goal a few minutes later. Wallace, Peake and Small challenged in the area, Ahearn got out a fraction late and there was Small, on hand to nod it in to the delight of the England supporters.

Both coaches — Les Scheinflug and John Cartwright, said they were satisfied with their respective team's performance and Scheinflug said he was happy enough about having to meet West Germany in the quarter-finals, because by all reports, Egypt would have been the harder opponent.

—with LAURIE SCHWAB

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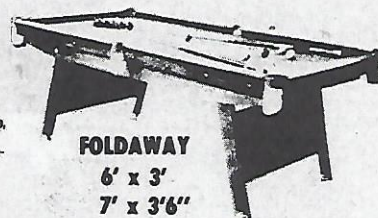
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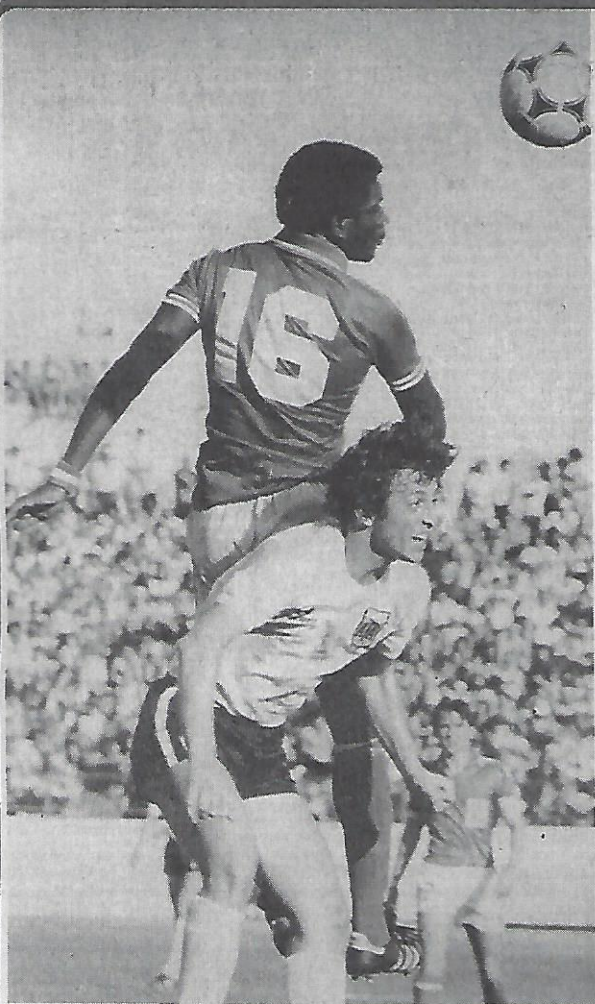
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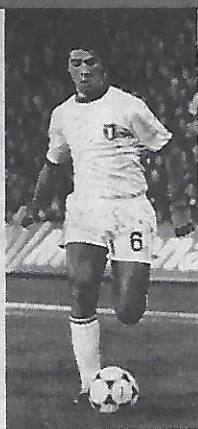
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England forward Michael Small heads towards goal, rising high above Sergio Giovagnoli of Argentina. The match was drawn 1-1. Picture by LES SHORROCK.



Italian sweeper Domenico Prognna — sent off in the 0-1 loss to Brazil.



Argentinian forward Jorge Gecchi.



Argentina's sweeper Giovagnoli robs England's Danny Wallace (left) with a timely sliding tackle. At right is Argentina's star forward Carlos Mendoza. Picture by LES SHORROCK.



South Korea — the team that electrified Melbourne with its 4-1 victory over Italy in their opening match. Korea was however eliminated after losing to Rumania and Brazil.



Rumanian trainer Macri gets on famously with Kickaburra.



Italian defender Roberto Fontanini challenges Korea's Choi Soon-Ho at Olympic Park. Korea won 4-1.



Blood streaming down his face onto his union jack t-shirt an English fan portrays the violence which erupted at last week's England-Argentina game in Sydney.



Sebastian Nadal Ocana (left) drawn in Adelaide. No. 6 is Hamer



The Australians at training, from left: Brett Woods, Peter Raskopoulos, Jim Patikas, John Little and Dave Skeen.



The men of Italy met the Vic Italians were at Parliament House



Korean midfielder Kim Hyung-Ho.



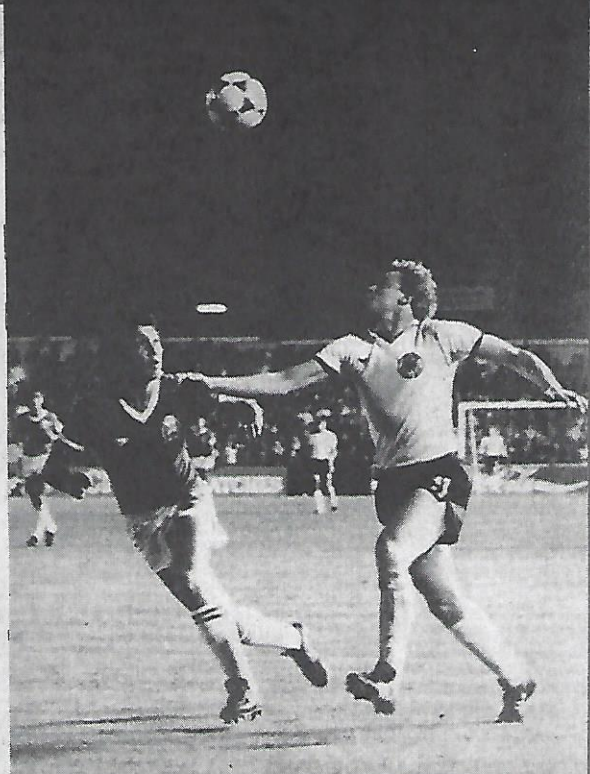
Spain's second goal against Egypt in their 2-2 draw. Sidky of Egypt. Picture by FRANK HOBBS.



an Premier, Mr Lindsay Thompson (dark coat). The for a Victorian Government reception.



Brazil's midfielder star Julio Cesar gets up high to win a header against Rumania. At left is Brazil's Leomir.



German forward Roland Wohlfarth (right) moves strongly towards a high ball as Gaval of Mexico back-pedals. Germany won 1-0 in Adelaide. Picture by FRANK HOBBS.



ASF president Sir Arthur George at the official opening of the world championships in Melbourne. Directly behind him is FIFA president Joao Havelange and at right VSF chairman Michael Weinstein.



Thomas Brunner of West Germany shields the ball in front of Mexico's Francisco Chavez. Germany won 1-0. Picture by FRANK HOBBS.

The stars of tomorrow are on parade

MATCH RATING:

7

Rumania 1
Korea Rep. 0

Scorer: Steve Sartov
5th.
Ground: Olympic Park.
Crowd: 17,000
Referee: Jorge Romero
(Argentina) 8.
Cautions: Augustin
Eduard, Mircea Rednic
(Rumania).

RUMANIA: Lovas 8 -
Viscreanu 7, Rednic 8 -
Eduard 7, Andone 8 -
Balint 7, Ilie 8, Hangioc 8 -
Zamfir 6, Sartov 8, Gabor 7 (Matei 86th.).
KOREA: Choi In Young 8 -
Jun Jong Son 8, Baek
Chi Soo 8, Kim Sung Koo
7, Jun Kwang Woon 7 -
Kim Sam Soo 7, Kim
Kyung Ho 8, Lee Kyung
Nam 9, Kwak Sung Ho 7
(Kang Duk Soo 53rd.) -
Choi Soon Ho 8, Kim Suk
Won 8 (inj. Choi Chul Hee
71st.).

There's been so many upsets in these world championships that it's become almost impossible to predict the outcome of any game with confidence.

The tournament is so even you can forget about words like "underdogs" or "favourites".

There were 24 goals scored in the eight first round matches and everybody must be expecting another goal onslaught for the following games.

South Korea's 4-1 thrashing of Italy must rank as one of the greatest upsets of the tournament. The young Soccerroos' defeat of



By
**ALAN
DAVIDSON**

Argentina must be the greatest achievement ever in the history of Australian soccer. What a feeling it must have been to play in that side just as Peter Katholos pointed out in his report in last week's "Soccer Action". The Australian players were crying tears of joy after the game and beating the current world champion sure is something to become emotional about.

Some of the players in these championships are going to be the stars of tomorrow, that's for sure. We've seen great attacking soccer and players with great individual skills. Some of the one touch football is world class stuff. It's almost unbelievable.

The Koreans success is based on their discipline. They work very hard for each other and morale must be high after the win over Italy. But the Rumanians are disciplined too. They won't let the Koreans roam free.

As usual the crowd roars as the teams enter the arena. The Korean supporters are here in force again with their flags and

they've even brought along a guy with a loudspeaker to direct the cheering.

The ground still is in top condition and the weather's just right for a good game.

Looking through the line-ups of both teams I can't see any changes from their opening matches.

The game starts at a cracking pace and the tackling is hard and decisive.

Rumania is shooting from long range early in the game trying to test out Korean keeper Choi In Young but most of the shots are astray.

The Koreans aren't as sharp as they were against Italy, probably because of all the running they did in that match. They are finding it hard to get past the midfield because of the tight marking and good closing down of the Rumanians who look physically stronger.

And the Rumanians have settled into their stride much quicker than the Koreans. It didn't take long for Rumania to hit the front.

Mihaita Hangioc got the ball on the left flank in the 5th minute, beat one defender then cut into goal. He shot but Jun Kwang Woon blocked the ball deflected into the path of Stere Sartov who drove it powerfully into the top left hand corner from only 12 metres out.

The Rumanians were confident now but although they put the Koreans under tremendous pressure the ball was continually cleared in goalmouth scrambles.

Ioan Lovas made his first save in the 15th minute when Korean captain Choi Soon Ho

knocked the ball down for Lee Kyung Nam who beat a defender then shot from a tight angle.

Kwak Sung Ho volleyed wide in the 20th minute and a few minutes later Korea had its best chance to date. Choi Soon Ho played a fine through ball, sending Kim Suk Won down the left flank. He cut the ball back to Choi whose well struck shot from 25 metres was saved by the diving Lovas.

The Koreans were using long balls and giving up possession far too easily. It was unusual to see them resorting to this tactic because they had built up play and supported each other so well against the Italians. It's hard to quickly support a player whose on the end of one of these

long balls but is isolated from his team mates.

Dorel Zamfir missed with a header in the 28th minute. If he had connected it would have been a certain goal and probably would have killed the Koreans.

Choi Soon Ho shot into a pack of players in the Rumanian area in the 30th minute. The ball rebounded back to him and he shot but again the ball was blocked. The Rumanians looked delighted when they finally cleared.

A spectacular overhead kick from Kim Suk Won in the 37th minute. What a goal that would have been! But captain Ilie was on hand to block what surely would have been the goal of the tournament.

Kang Duk Soo replaced

Kwak Sung Ho in the 53rd minute. Obviously the Korean coach was hoping that Kwak would instill more bite in midfield. The Koreans would have levelled in the 65th minute but for a last minute tackle on Lee Kyung Nam who was clear in the box with only Lovas to beat.

Three minutes later a goalmouth scramble developed in front of the Rumanian goal but the Koreans missed another chance to level. It was Kwak again. This time he spun around and shot from eight metres but Lovas pulled off a great reflex save. He's having a top match so far.

Another attacking midfielder comes on for Korea in the 71st minute. It's Choi Chul Hee who re-

places the limping Kim Suk Won. The Koreans are getting desperate for that all important goal.

But the Rumanians keep it tight at the back while the finishing of the Koreans leaves a bit to be desired.

Choi Soon Ho is winning everything in the air but his team mates can't capitalise on his good work.

At the end of the game the Koreans approach their fans and bow politely to them in gratitude of their support. At the same time the Rumanians are waving to their supporters with good cause. With just one game to play it looks odds on that they'll be in the quarter-finals.

— with CRAIG MAC KENZIE.

The real Italy to emerge in '83?

MATCH RATING:

7

Rumania 1
Italy 0

Scorer: Romulus Gabor pen. 57th.
Ground: Olympic Park.
Crowd: 12,000.

Referee: Robert Valentine (Scotland) 7.
Cautions: Riccardo Ferri, Roberto Fontanini (Italy), Marin Matei (Rumania).

RUMANIA: Lovas 8 - Eduard 8, Andone 8, Rednic 8, Matei 8 - Balint 8, Ilie 7 (Fisic 66th), Bolba 7, Hangioc 7 - Sartov 7, Gabor 8 (Zamfir 75th.).

ITALY: Drago 8 - Ferri 7, Fontanini 8, Righetti 8, Icardi 8 - Gambini 7 (Dona 77th.), Manzo 8, Parl 7, Koetting 8 - Mariani 8, Coppola 7.

Italy failed to win a match in this championship but at last, against the Rumanians, we saw what Italian football is all about.

Defend in depth, counter attack and quickly support the man in possession — these tenets are the hallmarks of Italian football and we saw more than just a fleeting glimpse of such play here.

There was much more bite about the Italians when they went forward. More so than in their two previous World Youth Cup games.

Italy has been the major disappointment of the championships though. Melbourne's huge Italian population would have supported their country's young men en masse had the blue shirted boys not slumped so dramatically in their opening game against South Korea.

So what reasons lie behind the Italian failure?

The main reason proffered by the Italian camp is that the squad was depleted by domestic club demands upon the cream of Italy's youth. Yet much was made of "Il Nanno", The Midget. He was hailed as Italy's Maradona. Giuseppe Galderisi had a lot to live up to before he stepped onto the plush green acres of Olympic Park.

From the moment the whistle sounded to kick off group B competition in Melbourne the young general was the target of the opposition defenders and the Italian fans. All eyes were on the great Galderisi but he failed miserably.

Galderisi spent most of the game against Korea appealing to referee Castro from Chile for free kicks which he rarely received. Indeed there was one point in the match where six passes were strung together by the Koreans as Galderisi followed Castro for about 20 metres, pointing to what looked like a gash on the youngster's shin.

Galderisi was substituted in that match and didn't feature for long in the second game against Brazil. A ferocious but fair tackle from a Brazilian defender felled Galderisi in the early stages and a few minutes later he hobbled off, head hung low, apparently sick of everything, his own performance, that of his country and the standard of refereeing.

The Italians simply weren't good enough. Their lack of organisation at the back against the Koreans was incredible. Who would have believed that we would witness such threadbare defence from the country of the cattanachio?

Italians are a proud, often fiercely

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

patriotic race. The World Youth Championships for the Coca Cola Cup now are firmly established as a showpiece for the young lions of world soccer. Italy won't stomach failure and should it qualify for the 1983 finals in Mexico I'm sure that the best possible squad will be assembled. The Italians can show the world that they can produce top flight youngsters and an exciting, attacking outfit. But we'll all have to wait for two years to see if the failure of 1981 will be erased from memory.

The Rumanians are a superior team unit. They showed the Italians what commitment and combination mean.

Not for them just a few highly skilled ball players upon which the rest of the team relies.

The Rumanians are dour, disciplined and effective. They don't enjoy the stunning skills of some other sides but they are a very well balanced outfit.

Against Italy the Rumanian defence was superb. Too often the Italians got forward then ran out of space and ideas. It was left to Pietro Mariani, Nicola Coppola and midfielder Giovanni Koetting to try to take on two, sometimes three defenders in order to create room for a strike at goal.

What worries me about the Rumanians is their inability to create enough clear cut chances to score. They'll have their work cut out against Uruguay in the semis I'm sure.

I've been disappointed with right winger Dorel Zamfir. I watched him at training before the championships kicked off and he really impressed. His ability to weave in and out of defenders at top pace with the ball always under control was something to watch I can assure you. During shooting practice a player would knock the ball forward to a team mate on the edge of the area. The team mate would lay the ball into the player's path and a first time shot followed. Zamfir wasn't just hammering the ball goalward, timing his shot well. He also chipped and curled the ball to both top corners of goal. Here's a really class player I thought.

Against Brazil in Rumania's first game "Soccer Action's" guest columnist, Gary Cole of Soccerroo fame, was quick to point out that most of Rumania's attacking thrusts went through Zamfir. In the second match against the Koreans, Zamfir looked sluggish. Gone was the sharpness evidenced against the Brazilians and highlighted by lightning fast runs, usually inside his opponent after dropping his shoulder and dummying to beat his man on the outside.

He was a reserve against Italy and only figured in the last 15 minutes, replacing another winger Romulus Gabor, but Zamfir has a great deal to offer to the Rumanian cause.

The Italians took on the Rumanians with only two youths up front, Mariani and Coppola.

Mariani let fly with a scorching drive from about 15 metres in the 5th minute.

Then, sweeper Ubaldo Righetti charged out of defence and although he always was going to be late he came screaming through with a brute of a tackle which left a Rumanian writhing in agony.

Referee Valentine booked Righetti. The Scottish official wasn't going to let the Italians intimidate the Rumanians and turn the match into a slugging affair.

But Rumania can be as hard as any side. Marcello Gambineri is in possession in Italy's left back position. He's come deep to support his defence. Augustin Eduard closes Gambineri down but Gambineri's shielding the ball well. Eduard's got the answer though. The Rumanian lifts up his right boot and comes flying in, between Gambineri's legs. The Italian understandably isn't happy with the tackle and gets chest to chest with Eduard but referee Valentine calms the situation. Strangely though, Eduard isn't booked.

Italy's best chance of the half falls to blond headed full back Andrea Icardi. Mariani gets clear on a tight angle about eight metres out from the Rumanian goal. He cuts the ball back to Icardi whose shot is blocked and the Italians are denied a 32nd minute opening goal.

The crowd is warming to the Italians now. Chants of "Italia, Italia," spring up from pockets of Italian supporters around the ground.

In the midst of Italy's forceful attacking play stands Rumanian captain Costel Ilie, a giant in midfield with his composure. Ilie always seems to have so much time on the ball. He's never flustered. Whenever the Rumanian defence breaks up an Italian forward thrust there's Ilie offering himself, almost demanding possession. And when the Rumanians can't penetrate the Italian defence and have to knock the ball back Ilie's there once more but his shooting is off target. Still he's a complete player, beautifully balanced with fine vision and disposal.

Coppola lands the ball on the tram tracks outside the ground when he tries a first time shot in the 38th minute. The half ends with the honors going to the Italians.

Romania looks dangerous in the second half and doesn't take long to score. The goal is disallowed though and I'm as baffled as the Rumanians. Mircea Bolba cuts in from the right and drives past two Italian defenders then sets up Gabor who is about 15 metres from goal on the left side of the area. Gabor keeps his head and cleverly angles a low shot inside the far upright past the despairing dive of Giulio Drago. A great goal but Rumania's celebrations are cut short when referee Valentine that a Rumanian player was offside. God knows which Rumanian infringed.

But two minutes later Gavril Balint powers his way down the right side of the box. He's bundled over by the by-line and referee Valentine points to the spot. Gabor's cool. He neatly slots the ball home.

An Italian goes down inside the Rumanian area in the 61st minute but he's made the tackle look bad by throwing himself forward onto the ground. Valentine won't stand for any nonsense and waves play on.

Mariani shakes his head in disbelief in the 64th minute when his stunning low drive cannons off the base of the Rumanian upright and on for a goal kick. The ball had been played short from a free kick and Mariani ran onto it well, timing his shot and giving it everything he's got.

Rumania brings on Cornel Fisic a few minutes later. The tall, aggressive Fisic plays in front of the Rumanian defensive wall. It's obvious that the Rumanians are intent on closing out the game.

As the half drags on the Italians look increasingly incapable of scoring. Coppola sends the ball almost into orbit with a first time strike at goal. He should have done much better.

Referee Valentine whistles for full time and Rumania is in the quarter-finals.

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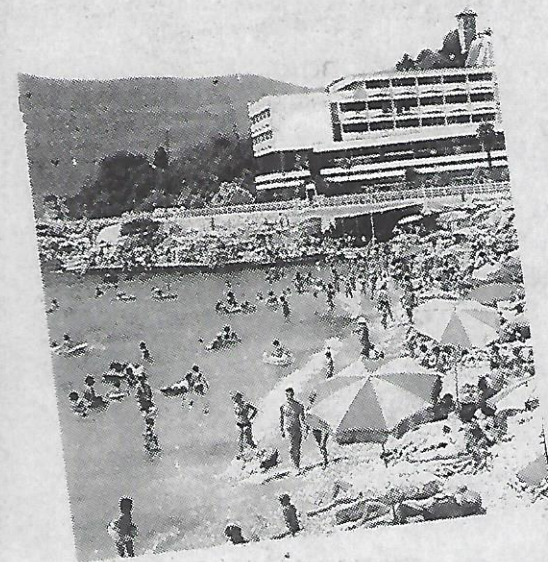
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Egypt ecstatic, Loose the new Beckenbauer?



By
**BOBBY
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MATCH RATING:

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Egypt 2

W. Germany 1

Scorers, Egypt: Helmi 31st, Amer 65th min, penalty; West Germany Loose 35th.

At Hindmarsh Stadium.

Crowd: 14,120
EGYPT: Ashour 8 - Sedki 7, Abbas 7, Hashih 7, El Amshati 7 - Helmi 8, El Kashab 8, Mihoub 7 - Soliman 8, (Hassan 80th) Saleh 8.

WEST GERMANY: Vollborn 8 - Nushour 7, (Trieb 55th) Zorc 7, Schmidkunz 8, Winkhofer 7 - Sievers 8, Loose 9, Brunner 7 - Wohlfarth 7, Herbst 7, Anthes 7 (Brummer 59th).

CAUTIONS: Nil
REFEREE: Romulo Mendez (Guatemala)

Egypt, rank outsider for the World Youth Championships, scored a stunning 2-1 win over West Germany and then let the whole world know of its magnificent win.

When the final whistle went, these brilliant Egyptian footballers hugged each other, laughed, cried and were in such a state of euphoria that the 14,000 strong Hindmarsh Stadium crowd gave them a reception they will never forget.

It was as if this match was played in Cairo. The crowd supported Egypt so boisterously that it must have been worth a goal to them.

Not that there were many Egyptians in the crowd. The S.A. soccer public adopted the Egyptians after their scintillating display against Spain the previous Saturday night.

After the game the Egyptians virtually incited the crowd to shout themselves hoarse.

Central striker Taher Amer, a superb player, ran the length of the far side of the ground enthusiastically waving his arms.

Other players joined him in a lap of honor. It was magnificent stuff and gave soccer in S.A. tremendous boost.

However, the assassination of President Anwar Sadat shocked the team when they heard of the tragedy later and it obviously will have an effect on them.

But I only hope they go on with the good work and thrill crowds in the eastern states just as they did here in S.A.

The Egyptians beat the West Germans because they showed more heart and fighting spirit.

They wanted to win badly but at the same time they were out for a good time.

In years to come when S.A. fans recall this match, they will only remember how the Egyptians attacked, not how they defended.

They will recall those penetrating balls, from the heart of defence to the flanks.

And they will recall how chunky midfielder Mohammed Helmi would sprint into the open spaces and tear apart the defence.

Quite simply, the Egyptians were pure magic.

The West Germans did not play poorly, it is just that on the night they simply could not match the Egyptians.

Their distribution was excellent, they were disciplined and strong.

Their big failing was that they were not flexible enough.

Captain Ralf Loose again proved what a splendid player he is.

He is a young Beckenbauer and it surely must be only a matter of time before he plays for the senior team.

He has skill, poise and flair. More importantly he is a commander and constantly urged his team on when things went wrong.

Amer, who scored both goals against Spain, again looked sharp for Egypt and after 17 minutes cracked a super drive at German goalkeeper Rudiger Vollborn who blocked the attempt.

Tarek Soliman followed up the shot, but Vollborn again saved brilliantly.

While the Egyptians looked sharper, the Germans had a great opportunity to dent their confidence in the 23rd minute but rugged central striker Thomas Herbst completely missed a cross from Loose.

The Egyptians opened the scoring in the 31st minute and again Amer was involved.

His cross from the left was missed by midfielder Ralf Sievers and Helmi raced in to stab the ball into the net from only two metres.

Germany stepped up the pace after this set back and began to look more positive.

The equaliser came four minutes later and fittingly it was Loose who got it.

He calmly picked up the ball on the edge of the penalty area and hit a pulverising drive which tore into the bottom left hand corner of the net.

There was not much in it from that moment on but the Egyptians looked more likely to score because they were prepared to attack with as many as five or six players — or more!

Midfielder Sherif El Kashab almost turned the match towards Egypt with a slice of magic just five minutes before the break.

He cleverly connived his way around a defender, dragged the ball back and struck a cracking 30 metre shot which bounced off the bar with Vollborn diving desperately.

It was Kashab who again had Germany scrambling for cover early in the second half when he belted a powerful shot which Vollborn blocked.

The Germans finally fell behind again in the 55th minute when tough defender Anton Schmidkun brought Amer down in the penalty area. Amer calmly slotted the ball home for his third goal of the tournament.

The Gwerms again pressed forward attempting to wipe out Egypt's advantage.

But Egypt was too tight in defence and though the Germans had opportunities they could not beat goalkeeper Mohammed Ashour.

However the Germans had a fatal mixup late in the game when Herbst headed the ball down to Sievers in the heart of the penalty area.

Both players expected the other to pounce on it, but in the end it was bundled clear and Germany's best chance of the match was wasted.

While Loose was Germany's best player, I have a lot of time for midfielder Thomas Brunner who looks all class and is obviously a player of the future.

And for different reasons I thought defender Anton Schmidkunz was amongst the best of the Germans.

He did not do anything spectacular, but did his job well and always was reliable. He reminded me of myself when I was younger.

— with MENO TOUTSIDIS.

MATCH RATING: 5

Mexico 1
Spain 1

Scorers, Mexico: Herrera 74th; Spain: S. Lopez 44th, penalty.

At Hindmarsh Stadium: Crowd 14,120

SPAIN: Peralta 7 - Calvo 7, Rodriguez 7, Julia 7, Fabregat 7 - F. Lopez 8, Ocaña 7, Localla 7 - S. Lopez 8, Joso 7, Nadal 7 (G. Lopez 72nd) Chavez 7 - F. Chavez 7, Alonso 7, Gamal 7.

MEXICO: A. Chavez 7 - F. Chavez 7, Sorvin 7, Martinez 7, Gamal 7 - Coss 7, Alonso 7, (Herrera 63rd), Munoz 7 - Rios 7, Curiel 7, Vaca 8.

Cautions: Mexico - Gamal (34th), Munoz (92nd); Spain - Calvo (38th), Ocaña (82nd).

SEND OFFS: Mexico - F. Chavez (76th), Spain - Julia (76th).

Referee: Jose Luis Martinez Bazan (Uruguay)

After the brilliance of the Egypt-Germany match, the main event was in fact dull and a trifle boring.

Neither the Spanish nor the Mexicans showed the attacking ability of the Egyptians or the Germans.

Both sides played it tight and were content to defend.

This resulted in an even tussle and it was the expulsion of two players and four cautions (there were none in the early game) which added interest to the game.

The Mexicans, needing at least a point to stay in the race for the quarter finals, looked more likely to score but they had the same problems they experienced against Egypt.

They could not penetrate Spain's defence and this frustrated their players and the fans.

Spanish supreme Francisco Lopez was again the driving force in the Spanish team while Antolin Ocaña, his midfield partner, showed some neat touches.

Up front Sebastian Lopez who had come on as a substitute and scored against the Egyptians, showed speed and fight but he had the same problems the Mexicans confronted — a water-tight defence.

It was evident a stalemate was developing from the opening minutes.

Neither side looked particularly imaginative and it was obvious that we were not going to see a repetition of the early game.

Spain unexpectedly opened the scoring in 44th minute when Lopez was brought down in the penalty area. It was a terrible decision by the Uruguayan referee who was jeered off the field at half time.

Lopez took the kick and slotted it past goalkeeper Adrian Chavez.

Spain's work rate fell away in the second half and only Francisco Lopez showed initiative.

But this was not enough and it was no surprise when Mexico finally levelled.

The Spanish paid the penalty of not backing up each other and chasing Mexican shirts when losing possession.

However, the Mexicans too were guilty of this at times, although they showed more purpose.

Mexico made a vital substitution in the 63rd

Two sent off as Mexicans and Spaniards fight

The Spanish complained that the absence of some of their best players has had an effect on them.

Australia would have had a field day against either of these sides because both Mexico and Spain look suspect to teams with aggression and discipline.

The crowd must share my views of Spain and Mexico because many of them began to leave the game 15 minutes from the end.

A fight started immediately as players became tangled in the nets.

Referee Bazan flashed the red card at Spain's Narcisco Julia and Mexico's Francisco Chavez.

The incident had little effect on the match and the result seemed inevitable.

Mexico has been the big disappointment of group C. It was one of the pre-tournament favorites for a quarter final place but has been revealed as an average side.

This was in stark contrast to the early game where the fans probably were hoping that the match would last for another 30 minutes.

Certainly, the crowd will be hoping Egypt will return to Adelaide for the match for third place on October 17.

If they do, I confidently predict the match will have a sell-out 18,000 crowd.

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Julie Porter and Sandra Brentnall netted for Australia, whilst Anne Fulham grabbed a last minute consolation goal for the Kiwis.

Despite being handicapped by hamstring and calf muscle injuries, midfielder Porter was superb throughout the tour and inspired by example.

Other individuals singled out by Aussie coach Trish Tagg were Rose Van Bruijssen and Sandra Brentnall.

"Van Bruijssen was a pillar of strength in her sweeper's role, being a major factor behind the Australian goal remaining well guarded for 350 minutes.

Brentnall worked tirelessly and her running off the ball was invaluable to the team cause.

With six members of the squad under 18 years of age, the future of Australian

women's soccer appears to be secure.

Results on tour were:

v. Canterbury: Won 2-0 (Leah Wright, Julie Porter), v. Otago-Southland Selection: Won 6-0 (Sue Monteith, Julie Porter (2), Tracy Singleton, Sharon Wass (2)).

v. Waikato Selection: Won 1-0 (Sandra Brentnall) v. New Zealand: Won 2-1 (Julie Porter, Sandra Brentnall).

— PAUL MOON

Brazil impressive, Proгна sent off as angry Italy bows out of Cup

MATCH RATING:

7

Brazil 1
Italy 0

Scorer: Djalma Baia 56th.
Ground: Olympic Park.
Crowd: 17,000

Referee: Jan Redelfs (West Germany) 7.

Cautions: Pasqualino Bruno, Andrea Manzo, Pietro Mariani, Fausto Pari (Italy), Cacau (Brazil).

Sent off: Domenico Proгна (Italy).

Ratings by CRAIG MACKENZIE:

BRAZIL: Pereira 8 - Luis Antonio 8, Mauro Galvao 9, Paulo Roberto 8, Nelsinho 9 - Julio Cesar 8, Josimar 9, Leonir 8 - Cacau 8, Djalma 8 (Marcelo 68th), Ronaldo 8.

ITALY: Riccietelli 7 - Bruno 6, Manzo 8, Fontanini 7, Icardi 8 - Proгна 7 (sent off 73rd), Galdieri 1 (inj. Gambirini 25th, 7), Miledi (Kostling 34th, 7), Pari 6 - Mariani 7, Cinello 6.

Before the tournament started this was the game which I thought would be the best in group B. Unfortunately it never quite lived up to that expectation.

The teams took the field wearing their first choice national playing strips for the first time. Brazil in its familiar gold and sky blue. The Italians equally familiar in their dark blue and white.

The Brazilians kicked off with a stiff breeze at their backs attacking the Yarra river end. This didn't seem to worry the Italians as they appeared mean enough to run through brick walls, let alone a breeze.

The opening two minutes were spent in midfield with some heavy challenges setting the scene and mood for the evening.

Brazil was the first to attack, winning a corner on the left which was cleared after a scramble. A minute later Paulo Roberto hit a deep cross too far to cause any trouble.

then at the last instance an Italian defender caused keeper Carlo Riccietelli to dive and save.

Italy's first attack comes in the 5th minute. Forward Fausto Pari makes a jinking run down the right and is sandwiched on the corner of the penalty area. From the resulting free kick the Brazilians clear easily.

Italian captain and supposed star Giuseppe Galdieri is tackled hard by midfielder Josimar and stays down. No foul is given, but this is the incident which leads to Galdieri leaving the field.

Taking his time to get up and get back into play, and putting on a display to let everyone know he's injured, Galdieri finally rushes back to complain to the referee about a tackle on a teammate.

He collides with one of his own players and the referee, as the referee turns, he appears to kick Galdieri in the leg and the Italian goes down in agony. The game goes on.

Quick pressure is being applied by both teams with players not being allowed to settle on the ball. The Italians are a lot tighter in defence than against Korea.

In the 14th minute the Brazilian right winger-cum-midfielder Cacau rides two heavy tackles before being on one of the many fine crosses he put over all night.

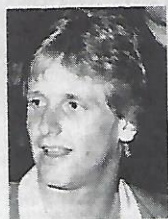
A minute later Cacau tackles Italian leftback Pasqualino Bruno, who immediately flared up, complaining bitterly.

At this stage referee Jim Redelfs appeared to be losing his control of the game.

In the 18th minute Galdieri finally limps off and is replaced by Marcello Gambirini. Bruno nearly decapitates Cacau with his elbow and is shown the yellow card. He has collected as many bookings as he has caps in this tournament.



The captains and coaches of Italy, Korea, Brazil and Rumania meet Victorian Premier Mr. Lindsay Thompson at a Government reception. From left: Italo Acconia (Italy coach), Park Jung Whan (Korea coach), Giuseppe Galdieri (Italy captain), Choi Hoon-So (Korea captain), Mr. Thompson, Vava (Brazil coach), Mauro Galvao (Brazil captain), Constantin Gornaiunu (Rumania coach), Costel Ilie (Rumania captain). Picture by LES SHORROCK.



By GARY COLE

so far. He might well be at home in a smaller playing area with ropes around it. To cap off the incident Bruno takes over as captain from Galdieri.

After 22 minutes Paulo Roberto, the Brazilian right back, overlaps and sends a cross to the far post where Djalma shoots wide.

In the 27th minute Josimar slips a lovely pass inside to Paulo Roberto whose shot from 35 metres misses the far post by inches with the keeper beaten.

Then we see probably the best piece of skill in the tournament so far. Cacau again crosses from the right and Leonir receives the ball on

the edge of the area. As a defender lunges at him, he deftly flicks the ball over him then sends the keeper the wrong way, only to see the ball strike Riccietelli's feet and spin past the post.

A minute later another name goes on the book. This time it's Italy's Fausto Pari.

Midfielder Josimar has a powerful shot from 30 metres that Italian defender Proгна deflects only just past the post. Josimar then plays a one-two on the edge of the area but has his shot blocked.

Two minutes before half time the first Brazilian name goes into referee Redelfs' book. It's Cacau; this is a very doubtful booking, as Redelfs tries very hard to regain control of this game.

The Italians finish the half typically. Forward Pietro Mariani has a good run up the left flank and crosses well to the far post. Gianfranco Cinello, who seems well placed for a header, lets the ball go and it runs out of play.

Brazil dominated the first 45 minutes. The breeze at its back obviously helped but generally they have been too strong, better organised and looks much sharper than the Italians. The midfield pressures very quickly and in numbers.

The Italians are very disappointing. They are marking tighter at the back than they did against Korea, but this could be because they are doing so much defending. Going forward they seem to have no idea whatsoever.

The Italians, with the breeze at their backs, start the second half with a bit more enthusiasm and in the 51st minute Mariani breaks up the middle and is hacked down by central defender Luis Antonio. This tackle inexplicably escapes the eye of referee Redelfs.

From the free kick, Cinello blasts into the wall, collects the rebound but is caught with the ball and the chance is wasted.

After 55 minutes Brazilian left back Nelsinho crosses. Ronaldo controls and shoots but his shot is blocked. Cacau hits the rebound which also is blocked. Italy breaks downfield quickly but the Brazilian defence, sturdy as ever,

manages to scramble the ball away.

A minute later Brazil gets ready to replace winger Djalma, as it tries to get the referee's attention. Leonir gets a good header in from a corner and Italian keeper Riccietelli carries it only as far as Djalma who blasts into the roof of the net from four metres.

It's 1-0 to Brazil and not surprisingly the substitute sits back down on the bench and Djalma wins a reprieve.

13 minutes into the second half Brazil should have gone two goals up. Ronaldo chases a long ball from captain Mauro Galvao.

Defender Fontanini doesn't reach his keeper with his back-pass and Ronaldo is through but Riccietelli smotheres to avert the danger.

Julio Cesar, who is much quieter tonight — perhaps its the knife in his back from his old mate Brutus — goes narrowly wide with a header.

Djalma scores his second goal in the 67th minute after a one-two with Josimar but is ruled offside. He plays for only another three minutes before his reprieve expires and he is replaced by Marcelo. Italy Harwood performed well. Referee Redelfs from the German Federal Republic lost control of the game early but tried hard all night to regain it. The Italians had other ideas though.

Brazil clears an Italian attack and Nelsinho controls the ball with his hand just inside his own half. As fullback Icardi challenges, Nelsinho backheels the ball, keeps running and with Icardi ball watching, receives a return pass which he controls. He finds hardworking Josimar unmarked in the Italian penalty area. Josimar has two bites of the cherry but fails to score.

In the 73rd minute Domenico Proгна effects an agricultural tackle on Paulo Roberto and is rightly sent off. A disappointed Italian supporter tries to show his displeasure by trying to hit referee Redelfs with a half empty can of Carlton. Like all Italian attacking efforts this evening, the can falls well short and hits the outside lane of the running track.

Nine minutes later another Italian is booked. This time it's Mariani. Within 15 seconds teammate Andrea Manzo joins him in the referee's rapidly filling notebook, for a foul on Julio Cesar.

Italy has one of its few chances of the evening when it breaks away down the right and fullback Icardi crosses well but Cinello heads straight at Brazilian keeper Pereira when unmarked.

Just on full time Josimar blasts well over the bar from 20 metres out.

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In the field the four players are very sharp and pressure superbly. They have good vision going forward and are not afraid to strike the ball from a distance. Up front Cacau is excellent with his dribbling and crossing ability.

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To the editor

SIR — I feel that this letter must be written to complain bitterly about a classic example of the lack of Promotion of Soccer, more especially the youth tournament currently being played.

The media, in general, must be laughing about the amateurish way in which the A.S.F./V.S.F. has handled this.

(1) General lack of advertising leading up to this event. Surely in this case it was not "free", then paid adverts (eg. Full Pages in Newspapers & T.V. Sport Ads) should have been taken out.

(2) There must be in the vicinity of 10,000/15,000 vehicles pass Olympic Park daily and a large amount pass along Fitzroy Street, but there were no signs at either place. Why were there no signs? Nowhere was the opening ceremony (so called) advertised, only K.O. times.

(3) As for the Opening Ceremony itself, well!!! The world in general now knows just what we can't do. Surely we are the laughing stock of the Soccer World. The gates should have been opened up much earlier and the public treated to displays, of all kinds, by the various Ethnic Groups of the competing Countries. Lack of color and gaiety; what about "bunting, balloons, flags, etc." just non-existent. It would have taken little imagination and time to arrange. In all terrible.

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By
**JIM
HARMISTON**

Noble typifies Uruguay's class

MATCH RATING

9

**Uruguay 1
Poland 0**

Scorer: Da Silva 59th
Ground: Lang Park.
Weather: night match,
showers throughout.

Crowd: 10,122.
Referee: Antonio Mar-
quez (Mexico) 9.
Cautions: (Francescoli
(U).
URUGUAY — Arias 9,
Vazquez 7, Pena 8, Gut-
ierrez 8, Molan 7, Ber-
rueita 8, Baez 6, Frances-
coli 8, Aguilera 7 (Villazo-
70th), Da Silva 6, Noble 8.
POLAND — Wandzik 7,

Boguszewski 6, Mayor 7,
Gozlecht 7, Terasiewicz 6
(Kaczmarek 45th, 6),
Widowczyk 6, Rzepka 8
(Swiatek 62nd), Pekala 6,
Urban 6, Dziekanowski 7,
Kowalik 6.

This game had
everything. With both
teams committed to
attack, the outcome

was an enthralling
spectacle, with a
wealth of goalmouth
incidents.

Poland, as expected,
played with more con-
viction and sharpness than
they had produced against
Qatar, but everything they
did was matched, even

surpassed, by the exciting
Uruguayans.

I am tremendously im-
pressed by the attitude,
discipline and enthusiasm
of the Uruguayan players
in both training and match
situations.

I have been with them at
training, and it has been a
real eye-opener. All train-
ing is done with a ball and
every player has one to
work with throughout.

They work on close con-
trol and everything is done
sharply and with verve and
they definitely appear to
get a genuine thrill out of
utilising their skills on the
training pitch. To them it
seems as natural as eating
and drinking.

I have always been of
the opinion that players
perform in matches ex-
actly the same way in
which they train and
watching the Uruguayans
strengthened that opinion.

Both sides in this game
played as team units. If a
player received the ball he
was immediately closed
down, so he had to utilise
his skill of find a team-
mate quickly.

Every orchestra must
have an outstanding soloist
and it is the same in soc-
cer. A side may play well
as a team but it needs men
with flair.

Poland certainly has one
in its No. 11, Rzepka, who
loves to take on opponents
and demonstrates vision.
In fact I was quite amazed
when he was replaced in
the second half.

Obviously everyone has
a different point of view.

This player was always
hovering around the area
of the ball so we can only
assume that perhaps he
was injured.

Uruguay has a few more
soloists and that is why
they are such a good team.
Berrueta plays a deep

lying midfield role and
controls the play from the
defence.

Aguilera is a sharp and
quick winger and provides
the width on one of the
flanks. As soon as he re-
ceives the ball he starts at-
tacking his opponent.

The skipper, Francesco-
li, is a top-class player who
gets through a power of
work in every match. He
shields the ball well and
for a big fellow turns
sharply. Francescoli plays
in a slightly forward mid-
field position and is able to
find plenty of space for his
forwards.

No. 18, Alexis Noble,
plays on the left wing and I
feel he will wind up as one
of the real stars of the
tournament. Like all of his
teammates he is never
frightened to take players
on, has a good deal of pace
and an educated left foot.
His shot which hit the ur-
right in the first half was a
cracker.

There is no doubt Uru-
guay will be strong chal-
lengers for the cup be-
cause of their whole-
hearted attitude towards
the games. They give the dis-
tinct impression that they
are here to win it and win
it well. When they lose pos-
session, there are no
dramatics. They simply
try to win it straight back
again.

In their defensive zone
they do not try to do any-
thing fancy, but when at-
tacking, it's a different
matter and a real joy to
watch.

This is what the game of
soccer is all about —
having the enthusiasm for
the game so you can enjoy
showing off your skills.

In other words, getting a
kick out of what they do.

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Qatar pays for poor defence but skills are first-class

MATCH RATING:

7

**United States 1
Qatar 1**

Scorers: U.S. Devey
43rd, Qatar Bealel 56th.
Ground — Lang Park.
Weather: Fine, night
match.

Crowd: 10,122.
Referee: G. Testafaye
(Ethiopia) 7.
Cautions: Stollmeyer,
Kain (US); M. Alsowaidi
(Q).

UNITED STATES —
Scarpelli 8, Fernandez 6,
Gardiner 6, Hundelt 6,
Ainslie 7, Stollmeyer 7,
Meyer 6, Doran 6, Kain 6,
Devey 7, Lischner 6 (Gee
45th, 7).

QATAR: Y. Ahmed 8, M.
Alsowaidi 7, A. Ahmed 6
(Eiden 67th), Mayouf 7,
Almas 7, Salkom 6, Afifa 8,
K. Alsowaidi 7, E. Ahmed
7, Bealel 7, Almuhrradi 6,
(Alsade 75th).

As they did against
Poland in their first
match, Qatar again
played with a square

defence and naturally
this tactic is fraught
with danger.

When the Qataris come
out of defence they do it
very quickly but it needs
only a pause in concentra-
tion and the team is in
trouble.

And it is for this very
reason that Qatar con-
ceded a goal in the 43rd
minute.

Up until then the back
four had kept a pretty tight
rein on the American front
runners, Kain and Devey,
but on this occasion a
quick through ball from
left winger Lischner did
the trick.

Defender Mayouf was
able only to half head the
ball as he tried to knock it
back upfield and Devey
pounced on the chance to
dash away into the box.

It looked at first if he
had drawn himself too far
to the right but he struck
his drive well and forceful-
ly into the far corner under
the diving Ahmed.

There is no doubt the
Qataris quickly become
the favorites of the Bris-

bane crowd, possibly be-
cause they play in Queens-
land colors.

But in fact I feel it is
chiefly because of their
style of play.

They engender great en-
thusiasm and tend to help
one another out at all
times. Even their warmup
is tremendous to watch, as
they do the exercises to-
gether with great pre-
cision and it is obvious
they are a team in every
sense of the word.

Because they are not
physically strong in the
tackle the Qataris players
rely on their agility and
skill, of which they have
plenty, to nip in and take
the ball away from the op-
position. The first half was
a pretty even affair and the
contrast in styles was
quite noticeable.

The Qataris got them-
selves quickly into position
for crosses into the box, al-
though it was generally
easy for the tall US defend-
ers to handle this situation.

The Americans have a
much more physical game
and kept using the long ball
to try to catch the Qataris
defence coming out, as the

American defenders were
slow and appeared clumsy.
I felt it was important for
the Qataris attackers to get
behind the defence and hit
the ball over low and hard,
or try to cross to the far
post.

The second half was a
great improvement on the
first, with many more
worthwhile incidents, as
Qatar came back looking
for the equaliser and the
Americans still con-
centrating on the quick
break.

After what I had ob-
served, to and behold the
first ball that Qatar man-
aged to cross to the far
post produced the equal-
iser. Ebrahim's floated
cross was met by the head
of the consistent Bealel
and the goal was credited,
even though many of us
felt the American keeper,
Scarpelli, had managed to
save it.

In the end a draw was
fair reflection of the game.

The Qataris have a
number of individual stars
and their team spirit is
typified by goalkeeper
Ahmed, who thinks nothing
of racing from his goal to

act as a sweeper. He is one
of the real personalities of
the Brisbane group.

Other players to catch
the eye over the past two
games include Afifa, the
No. 8 who plays in the mid-
field. He gets through a
tremendous amount of
work, and is quite skilful,
spiced with a wee bit of
flair.

Regular goalscorer Be-
leal, Khamis Alsowaidi
and Ebrahim Ahmed are
other mainstays behind the
shock progress of the
Qataris.

The Americans, with no
great particular person-
alities, rely on their phys-
ical qualities, although this
time their buildup was
much more productive
than in the opening game
against Uruguay, in which
they were simply not
allowed to dictate at any
stage. Individually, the
Americans are way behind
the levels of skill and ag-
ility possessed by the other
three countries in their
group.

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This week's picture has been submitted by **BARRIE SMITH** of 76 Holsah Road, Croydon, Victoria 3136. It shows South Melbourne Hellen keeper Peter Laumeta making a desperate bid to save as team mate Steve Blair (left) looks on.

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Julio Cesar tops as Brazil shows its class

MATCH RATING:

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Brazil 3

South Korea 0

Scorers: Paulo Roberto 48th, Ronaldo 60th, Jun Jong Sun o.g. 80th.
Ground: Olympic Park.
Crowd: 17,000.

Referee: Hussein Fahmy (Egypt) 9.
Ratings by Craig Mackenzie:

BRAZIL: Pereira 8 — Cacau 7 (Pedro Fernando 76th.), Luis Antonio 8, Galvao 9, Nelsinho 9 — Paulo Roberto 8, Josimar 8, Julio Cesar 10 — Leomir 8, Ronaldo 8, Baia 8 (Marcelo 85th.).

KOREA: Choi In Young 8 — Jun Jong Sun 7, Baek Chi Soo 8, Kim Sung Kee 8, Jun Kwang Woon 6 — Kim Kyung Ho 6 (Choi Chul Hee 68th.), Kang Duk Soo 7, Kwak Sung Ho 9, Kim Suk Won 8 — Lee Kyung Nam 6, Choi Soon Ho 8.

In my report of the Brazil versus Italy game, I suggested that this game between Brazil and Korea, could see Brazil hit its straps for the first time in the tournament.

This was to prove correct, however Brazil never had things its own way all night.

Both teams looked sluggish to start with, but that surely is only to be expected. For both teams it was their third game in only five days, which, from experience, is bloody hard work.

Brazil could have scored after just fifteen seconds when right back, Paulo Roberto, made the first of many fine runs down the right flank. He slips the ball inside and Ronaldo just misses.

It takes Korea two minutes before it launches its first attack which comes from a corner on the left. Jun Kwang Woon drives into the area and after a scramble the ball is cleared.

In the sixth minute Nelsinho has the first long range effort from 30 metres, but like so many Brazilian efforts it goes high, wide and not so handsome.

Korean captain Choi Soon Ho again was proving a difficult proposition for defenders in the air. In the 7th minute he gets up well to nod down to midfielder Kim Kyung Ho who is upended 10 metres from the penalty area. Choi strikes the free kick at the wall, collects the rebound and shoots over the bar.

At this stage Korea is surprising with its early pressure of the Brazilians.

After 3 minutes Korean right winger Lee Kyung Nam chases a long through ball, which everybody gives up for out. Surprisingly he catches it then does the most amazing cut-back I have ever seen. He pulls the ball back to the edge of the area at full pace but nobody is at home for the Koreans.

Three minutes later Choi breaks clear but his opposing captain Galvao corners beautifully.

Korea then has the best scoring opportunity so far. A cross from deep on the left again finds Choi who nods down for the unmarked Kang Duk So who volleys well over from the penalty spot.

As predicted this game is not as physical as Brazil's first two encounters. Most of the free kicks are for tripping and pushing. This suits Brazil and allows it to show its fine skills.

After 23 minutes this skill wins Brazil a corner on the left. Leomir chips it over and big negro midfielder Josiman heads over from six metres.

Josiman has another chance six minutes later. Nelsinho crosses from the left and Josima, unmarked in the area, fails to control the ball and the Koreans clear.

After 39 minutes left winger Kim Suk Won, gets around the back of the Brazilian defence, slips the ball inside to Choi who immediately is pressured and keeper Pereira smotheres the chance.

Three minutes later the Brazilians have a wonderful sweeping move upfield. Cacau collects the ball deep in his own half and passes up the line to Josiman, who lets the ball bounce, then curls it over his shoulder to Ronaldo in the centre whose shot is blocked.

Two minutes before half time Paulo Roberto dries in a cross which midfielder Julio Cesar heads powerfully just over.

Seconds later Brazil should have scored. Baia attacks Korea up the centre of the park. His dribbling attracts the defence and he slips the ball to Ronaldo who hits the ball with the outside of his foot just wide, with keeper Choi In Young beaten.

Brazil is coming more and more into the game. Its solidarity at the back, power in midfield and skill up front are starting to tell. Korea again has done well, but it insists on continually going wide and away from the danger area.

Brazil starts the second half wonderfully. After three and a half minutes midfielder Julio Cesar curves a long ball out to striker Ronaldo but his cross is too long and carries across the penalty area to Cacau. He controls and rolls the ball back into the path of Paulo Roberto,

whose drive from the edge of the area leaves Choi In Young, with no chance.

Korea should have replied a few minutes later when a deep cross from the left again is headed down by Choi but Kim Suk Won again blasts over from 10 metres.

Choi sets up another chance five minutes later. He finally gets a ball to his feet in the centre of the park. He turns, draws the defender and pushes the ball inside to Kang Duk So. He gives the ball a help on its way and Kim Suk Won, a strange name indeed, hits a first time volley. This brings out a great save from keeper Pereira. One of the few saves he has had to make in the tournament.

But Brazil now is well on top. It moves the ball around with ease and is under no real pressure.

In the 62nd minute Brazil again breaks up a Korean attack. After about 20 passes Josiman is in possession, free on the right hand side. Defender Kim Sung Kee pressures quickly but is thrown off balance when Josiman stops the ball. Kim then lunges at the Brazilian who slots it through his legs. Oh no! Josiman knocks the ball across the face of goal for Ronaldo to slide home for Brazil's second.

Now Brazil finally is delivering the goods it has promised. In the 66th minute Choi Chul Hee replaces Kim Kyung Ho. It's Score One Soon that the Koreans need now!

Josiman plays a one-two with Ronaldo but the return is too strong and the keeper gathers.

Sub Choi Chul Hee goes close in the 71st minute, when he receives the ball on the edge of the area from a blocked tackle, but his shot goes over the night hand corner of Pereira's goal.

Four minutes later Brazil takes off Castro, who once again has caused much trouble with his ability to cross balls and Pedro Fernando gets his first run of the tournament. He is brought into the game straight away.

Josiman finds him on the right, his pace causing Korea trouble, and he just fails to find Leomir with his cross.

Pedro Fernando makes up for this a minute later when he bursts away from the Korean defence and bends a lovely ball across. Defender Jun Jong Sun, under no real pressure, tries to clear, but his volley screws off his boot into the top corner of his own goal.

This third goal is the killer for Korea. Brazil virtually does as it pleases from now on.

The game just fizzles out now with Brazil content with its three goals and top spot in Group B.

As the final whistle blows and the players swap shirts, the Koreans make their way to the grandstand fence. Here they receive a standing ovation from the crowd, a just reward for good honest entertaining football.

Korea bows out of the tournament and must now ponder on what might have been. It came to Australia



Korean sweeper Kim Sung — Kee at full stretch, winning the ball in front of a Brazilian opponent. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

and was given no chance in the powerful Group B. It then opened everyone's eyes with a 4-1 drubbing of the fancies Italians. It is here I think we find the key to Korea's eventually exit finishing. Taking chances has been lacking in Group B with all teams to blame.

The Koreans took 4 out of 5 against Italy and looked lethal in front of goals, yet they never looked like doing it again. They created good opportunities against Romania and Brazil yet failed to find the net.

Korea is a well organised team. The one outstanding player is captain and central striker Choi Soon Ho. He is a Korean full national team regular and has shone. He has caused all defenders trouble in aerial duels. For a big man he has very neat skills. Unfortunately with Korea opting to play wide continually, he just never received enough service

into feet up front. This was a tragedy because he proved he could control, turn and run at people. This would have given Korea a lot more variety up front.

Where do you start to talk about Brazil? It is a very good side with amazing strength, skill, power and speed. Every player has excellent ball skills, from fullbacks through to strikers. It is up front though that we find Brazil's weak link, if you can call it that. It has no target to aim for. Caccia is magical on the right, but he crosses often from impossible positions, so many times the ball is wasted.

Like the Koreans the Brazilians have a tendency to go wide all the time, but I feel this is due to lack of a target. What a difference Choi Soon Ho would make to this Brazilian side.

I can't finish without mentioning midfielder

Julio Cesar. He must be one of the most complete players I have ever seen. He is big, strong and brave. His legs are like oak trees and he passes equally well with both feet. He has tremendous vision and his support and recovery work are excellent. I would say he must surely be national team materials for years to come.

Mr. Hussein Fahmy, the Egyptian referee, was excellent. You almost forgot he was there as he let the game flow, until his control was necessary. His linesmen, Gaston Castro from Chile and Jorge Romero from Argentina, gave him excellent support.

I have been impressed by the officials in Group B. They seem to want to just do their job, without being the centre of attention or controversial.

Mildura goal machine

Jem Yalchin, from Zagreb-Mildura's under-13 team, went on a goal scoring rampage this year, notching 38 goals in just 12 games.

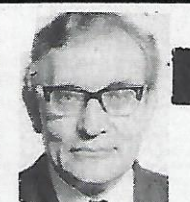
Zagreb-Mildura plays under the auspices of the Sunraysia Soccer Association. Red Cliffs, Aztecs, Mildura United and Rovers all felt the brunt of the young goal ace's onslaught.

The highlight of Jem's achievement was a six goal burst against Aztecs earlier this year.

TURNIR IZNENADJENJA

Australiya je opravdala poverenje FIFA, najlice i najveće sportske organizacije na svetu. Bez pomoći dnevnih štampa, čak njenog neprijateljskog stava (specijalno u Melburnu), ostvarena je vrlo dobra poseta i divna sportska atmosfera. Velika je steta što se Australija nije plasirala u polufinale, što će verovatno smisliti broj gledalaca na završnim utakmicama, ali neće umajiti njihov značaj.

Ovaj turnir je pokazao da nogomet nije više monopol Južne Amerike i Evrope. Azija i Afrika, pa čak i Australija nisu više samo učenici, već ravnopravni majstori najpopularnije igre na svetu. Koreja, Egipat, Kamerun, Australija i Qatar su ostavili najljepši utisak i osvojili srca evanške javnosti i domaću publiku, iako je samo Qatar priziveo četvrtfinalne borbe. Iskustvo i fizička snaga dodeli su rika ostala bez jednog predstavnika, iako je prikazala najbolji fudbal na turniru, ali ovog puta nije iznenađila ni jednu zvezdu ranga Polara i Maradone. Dakle, možemo reći da će na ovom turniru trijumfovati snaga zbog krize pravih talenata. IZ J.U.S.T. — OVE TORBE iako je do dana završena sezona J.U.S.T. je još uvek aktivan. Istina, aktivnost e



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VELIKI USPEH BRATSTVA/JEDINSTVA

Springvale United (ili Bratstvo/Jedinstvo za njegove navijače) učestvovalo je prošle nedelje na velikom turniru u Melbournu, koji se nalazi na istočnoj granici između Novog Južnog Velsa i Viktorije. U jakoj konkurenciji 10 klubova iz Sidneja i Melburna pobedio je Bratstvo/Jedinstvo, posle izvanredne igre u finalu. Uscenici turnira su bili podeljeni u dve grupe, gde se igralo po bod sistemu. Svaka utakmica je trajala 40 minuta, a ceo turnir dva dana. Pobednik prve grupe je domaćin Malacoota, a drugi grupi prvo mesto je pripalo Horeaby RSL iz Sidneja. U finalu pobedio je Bratstvo/Jedinstvo. U polufinalu Malacoota se pobedila 1:0, a u finalu Nunawading City sa 3:1. Strelci u finalu: Milan Stojilovic 2 i Milan Culibrk. Najbolji igrač turnira je Milan Stojilovic. Na turniru je učestvovalo Sandringham City, poljean sa Allan Evansom iz Helasa i još nekoliko igrača iz Dovetona, što mu nije pomoglo da se plasira u polufinale, još manje da osvoji dragoceni pohar, dar Pume.

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INSETS: Peter Orlerton (player-coach, J.U.S.T. 1980), George McMillan (Azur, Perth 1978), Claude Lucchasi (Juventus 1979).

Preston Makedonia achieved PSL status for the first time this year and finished 12th in the 16 team league. The Victorian club was formed in 1957. It has won the Second Division South title (1961), Metro First Division (1966, 76), Metro Second Division (1973), Federation Cup (1973, 74), Cumberland Cup (1976), Victoria Cup (1980) and the State League Championship (1980). Makedonia boasts an excellent social club opposite its home ground at Connor Reserve in Kew. The players showed great character this year to recover from a slightly jittery start to the league and Makedonia should become a force in the PSL in 1982.



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